

PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING JANUARY 21-27, 2024 AS CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST WEEK IN THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH.

WHEREAS: Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are advanced practice registered nurses. Providing anesthesia care to patients in the United States for more than 150 years, CRNAs are among the nation's most trusted professions.

WHEREAS: Legislation passed by Congress in 1986 made nurse anesthetists/anesthesiologists the first nursing specialty to be accorded direct reimbursement rights by Medicare; and

WHEREAS: CRNAs are primary anesthesia providers in rural and underserved communities and continue to be the primary providers of anesthesia care to U.S. military personnel; and

WHEREAS: CRNAs practice in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered—from traditional hospital surgical suites and obstetrical delivery rooms to critical access hospitals; from ambulatory surgical centers to the offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, pain managements specialists and more; and

WHEREAS: CRNAs are qualified to make independent judgements regarding all aspects of anesthesia care based on their education, training, and licensure; and

WHEREAS: CRNAs are trusted anesthesia experts, caring for patients safely and compassionately, delivering specialized, cost-effective care to all patients—from newborns to seniors—for every type of procedure in all types of facilities; and

WHEREAS: CRNAs' experience in critical care nursing in addition to anesthesia care, provides the training and education to address unique healthcare challenges of some of our sickest patients, including veterans; and

NOW, THEREFORE, let it be resolved that the City of Madeira Beach, Pinellas County, Florida, and I, Mayor James "Jim" Rostek, hereby proclaim the week of January 21-27, 2024, to be known as

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Week

and encourage everyone to observe this week to recognize and acknowledge their important role in providing high-quality care to the public.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Madeira Beach, Pinellas County, and the State of Florida to be affixed this 10th day of January 2024.



James "Jim" Rostek, Mayor