

## RON DESANTIS GOVERNOR

## NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK IN FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Florida is committed to modernizing the way healthcare is delivered by ensuring Floridians have full access to healthcare, particularly in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, Florida's nurses play an indispensable role in the safety, quality care, and well-being of our residents and visitors in need; and

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) serve as trusted health care providers for patients in our state in hospitals, long-term care facilities, schools, community health care agencies, and in the corporate workplace; and

WHEREAS, patients depend on the more than 13,000 licensed NPs in Florida to provide high-quality primary, acute, and specialty health care services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, health education, and counseling, which guides patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices every day; and

WHEREAS, here in Florida, we appreciate the selfless dedication of our nurses as they strive to keep our communities safe and healthy; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners Week is an opportunity to recognize the significant role that nurse practitioners play in our healthcare system and the impact they make on the well-being of our families and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing November 7-13, 2021, as *Nurse Practitioner Week in Florida*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, in the year two thousand twenty-one.

Governor