

P r o c l a m a t i o n

CITY OF ORLANDO - OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

- WHEREAS,** nurse practitioners (NPs) serve as trusted health care providers for patients in our city; and
- WHEREAS,** NPs are at the forefront of efforts to combat COVID-19, educating patients about prevention and ensuring the equitable distribution of vaccinations; and
- WHEREAS,** NPs work to expand access to care in underserved communities, end health disparities and combat systemic racism in health care; and
- WHEREAS,** patients depend on the more than 325,000 licensed NPs in the United States, and 42,238 actively licensed APRN's in Florida to diagnose, manage and treat their chronic and acute health care conditions; and
- WHEREAS,** NPs provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty health care services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices every day; and
- WHEREAS,** the confidence that patients have in NP-delivered health care is evidenced by the more than 1 billion visits made annually to NPs across the country; and
- WHEREAS,** more than five decades of research confirms the high quality of care provided by NPs; and
- WHEREAS,** better utilization of NPs through modernized state laws and improved policies creates better health through a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher-quality health care system; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Orlando is proud to recognize and honor the service of NPs to our city;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BUDDY DYER, Mayor of the City of Orlando, do hereby proclaim November 7-13, 2021, as

“National Nurse Practitioner Week”

in the City of Orlando.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 7th day of November, 2021.



Buddy Dyer
MAYOR