



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners in Florida (NPs) are referred to as Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners (ARNPs) who have advanced clinical education and training building upon their initial registered nurse preparation; and

WHEREAS, there are 222,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States, and 20,000 nurse practitioners in Florida providing primary, acute and specialty care to patients of all ages; and

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners diagnose, treat and prescribe medications and other treatments to patients through a caring, patient-centered, holistic model of care; and

WHEREAS, Florida is proud to recognize and honor the service of nurse practitioners to our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing November 13 – 19, 2016, as *Nurse Practitioner Week*.



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 second day of November, in the year two thousand sixteen.


Governor