



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, Central Service Technicians are responsible for processing surgical instruments, supplies and equipment; and

WHEREAS, serving in settings ranging from hospitals to ambulatory surgical centers, Central Service Technicians provide support to patient care services; and

WHEREAS, Central Service Department tasks include decontaminating, cleaning, processing, assembling, sterilizing, storing, and distributing the medical devices and supplies needed for patient care; and

WHEREAS, the Central Service Department of a healthcare facility is the heart of all activity surrounding instruments, supplies and equipment required for operating rooms, Endoscopy suites, ICU, birth centers and other patient care areas; and

WHEREAS, Central Service Technicians play a most important role in patient care arenas, and are responsible for first-line processes to prevent patient infections; and

WHEREAS, Sterile Processing Week recognizes the contribution Central Service Technicians make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 11-17, 2020, as

Sterile Processing Week

in the state of Alabama.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 26th day of October 2020.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor