

# STATE OF NEBRASKA



## Proclamation

WHEREAS,

*Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are advanced practice registered nurses who have been providing anesthesia care to patients in the United States for more than 150 years and are among the nation's most trusted professions; and*

WHEREAS,

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

WHEREAS,

*CRNAs are primary anesthesia providers in rural 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; and*

WHEREAS,

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

WHEREAS,

*CRNAs are trusted anesthesia experts on the frontlines, 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 the unique healthcare challenges of some of our sickest patients, including veterans.*

NOW, THEREFORE,

*I, Jim Pillen, Governor of the State of Nebraska, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the week of January 18 – 24, 2026, as*

### NATIONAL CRNA WEEK

*in Nebraska, and I do hereby urge all citizens to take due note of the observance.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this thirteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six.*

Attest:

A blue ink signature of the name "Blenkiron".

Secretary of State

A blue ink signature of the name "Jim Pillen".

Governor