

# PROCLAMATION

## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

**WHEREAS**, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are advanced practice registered nurses who have provided anesthesia care in the United States for more than 150 years and are consistently ranked among the nation’s most trusted professions; and

**WHEREAS**, legislation passed by Congress in 1986 made nurse anesthetists the first nursing specialty to receive direct reimbursement rights from Medicare, recognizing their essential role in delivering anesthesia care; and

**WHEREAS**, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists serve as the primary anesthesia providers in rural communities and to U.S. military personnel, ensuring access to high-quality care in underserved areas; and

**WHEREAS**, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists deliver safe, compassionate, and cost-effective anesthesia care for patients of all ages across various settings, including hospitals, surgical centers, and outpatient offices; and

**WHEREAS**, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists dual expertise in critical care nursing and anesthesia uniquely equips them to meet the complex needs of patients, including veterans and those requiring specialized procedures.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, The Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in us do hereby proclaim that **January 19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025** be known as

**“National Registered Nurse Anesthetists Week”**

**DULY PROCLAIMED** this 21<sup>th</sup> day of **January 2025**.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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