

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) have served a critical role as trusted health care providers for more than five decades; and

WHEREAS, NPs work to expand health care access in communities across our state, promote health equity in care and improve health outcomes for all; and

WHEREAS, NPs provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty health care services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, partnering with patients to improve their health; 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, 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, more than half the nation has adopted Full Practice Authority legislation, offering patients full and direct access to the outstanding care provided by NPs; and

WHEREAS, NPs serve as the provider of choice for many Alabama residents and play a pivotal role in the health and welfare of our communities. Alabama is proud to recognize and honor the service of NPs to our state

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby November 10^{th} - 16^{th} , 2024, be proclaimed as

National Nurse Practitioner 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 14^h day of November 2024.

Kay Ivey, Governor