

Proclamation

by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin

- Whereas,** Central Sterile Supply Department technicians are responsible for processing surgical instruments, supplies and equipment; and
- Whereas,** serving in settings ranging from hospitals to ambulatory surgical centers, Central Sterile Supply Department technicians provide support to patient care services; and
- Whereas,** Central Sterile Supply Department tasks include decontaminating, cleaning, processing, assembling, sterilizing, storing and distributing the medical devices and supplies needed for patient care; and
- Whereas,** in a healthcare facility, the Central Sterile Supply Department, is the heart of all activity surrounding instruments, supplies and equipment required for operating rooms, Endoscopy suits, ICUs, birth centers and other patient care areas; and
- Whereas,** Central Sterile Supply Department technicians play a most important role in patient care arenas, and are responsible for first-line processes to prevent patient infections; and
- Whereas,** *Central Service Week* recognizes the contribution Central Sterile Supply Department technicians make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Earl Ray Tomblin, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *October 9-15, 2011*, as:

Central Service Week

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in this observance.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven, and in the One Hundred Forty-Ninth year of the State.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Earl Ray Tomblin".

Earl Ray Tomblin
Governor

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Natalie E. Tennant".

Natalie E. Tennant
Secretary of State