



*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, International Central Service Week recognizes the contributions Central Service Technicians make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession;*

*Therefore, I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim October 13-19, 2013 in honor of*

### **INTERNATIONAL CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK**

*in the State of Colorado.*

*GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this thirteenth day of October, 2013*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John W. Hickenlooper".

*John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor*

