

State of Maine



**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 contribution central service technicians make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL R. LEPAGE**, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby recognize October 12-18, 2014 as

**CENTRAL SERVICE WEEK**

throughout the State of Maine, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

In testimony whereof, I have caused  
the Great Seal of the State to be  
hereunto affixed GIVEN under my  
hand at Augusta this Twenty-fifth  
day of September Two-Thousand Fourteen



*Paul R. LePage*  
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Governor

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Secretary of State

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