WHEREAS, a central sterile processing technician is a medical professional who specializes in stocking, sterilizing, packaging, and preparing the tools and equipment used in surgical procedures; and

WHEREAS, such technicians are held responsible for ensuring the cleanliness and safety of operating rooms, tables, and equipment; and

WHEREAS, central sterile processing technicians work in various medical settings, including hospitals, public health clinics, private doctors’ offices, and specialized surgical centers; and

WHEREAS, central sterile processing technicians are essential in preventing infections and the spread of disease from contaminated instruments; and

WHEREAS, to become a central sterile processing technician, a person typically needs to complete a training program at a community college or vocational school and pass written and practical certifying exams; and

WHEREAS, the International Association for Healthcare Central Sterile Materiel Management, which has three chapters in Ohio, includes more than 32,000 certified members; and

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby designate

CENTRAL STERILE PROCESSING TECHNICIAN WEEK

the week of October 13-19, 2019.

Mike DeWine
Governor

Jon Husted
Lieutenant Governor