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Across Texas, health care professionals are dedicated to providing quality health care to Texans who are ill or injured. In addition to the vital importance of skilled professionals and the best available technology and medicines, the safety and cleanliness of surgical settings is paramount.

Central service technicians are responsible for managing and processing surgical instruments, supplies, and equipment, including decontaminating, cleaning, assembling, sterilizing, storing, and distributing these devices. In operating rooms, surgical centers, birthing centers, and other patient care settings, central service professionals play an indispensable role in preventing patient infections and the spread of illness and disease.

Every year, a week in October is dedicated to raising awareness and recognizing the contributions of central service technicians to patient health and safety and their critical role in health care. At this time, I encourage all Texans to learn more about the role central service technicians play as well as the opportunities and challenges these professionals face as they ensure patients receive exceptional care.


Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim October 13–19, 2019, to be

Central Service Week



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this the 18th day of September, 2019.


Governor of Texas