

STATE OF ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

- WHEREAS, *Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are essential to America's healthcare system, providing high-quality, cost-effective anesthesia care for more than 125 years; and*
- WHEREAS, *CRNAs are anesthesia specialists who are the hands-on providers of approximately 30 million anesthetics given to patients each year in the United States; and*
- WHEREAS, *CRNAs are the sole anesthesia providers in more than two-thirds of all rural hospitals, affording these medical facilities obstetrical, surgical, and trauma stabilization capabilities; and*
- WHEREAS, *CRNAs practice in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered: traditional hospital surgical suites and obstetrical delivery rooms; ambulatory surgical centers; the offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, and plastic surgeons; U.S. Military, Public Health Services, and Veterans Affairs medical facilities;*

THEREFORE, I, Pat Quinn, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim the week of January 24-30, 2010 as **ILLINOIS NURSE ANESTHETISTS WEEK**, urge all citizens to join me in recognizing these outstanding healthcare professionals for their contributions to the quality of life in our state.

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

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Springfield,
this TWENTY-FIRST *day of* JANUARY, *in*
the Year of Our Lord two thousand and
TEN, *and of the State of Illinois*
the one hundred and NINETY-SECOND



Jesse White
SECRETARY OF STATE

Pat Quinn
GOVERNOR