

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Nursing Professional Development Specialists are a small but vital part of the nursing workforce, which provides excellent healthcare to the citizens of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: The Association for Nursing Professional Development is a professional community of practitioners who advance the professional role, the professional growth and the competence of the nursing workforce; and

WHEREAS: Nursing Professional Development Specialists are responsible for orientation, in-service, continuing education, transition-to-practice programs, quality and safety practices and professional growth of leadership roles; and

WHEREAS: Nursing Professional Development Specialists also communicate and advance the Institute of Medicines Future of Nursing Report recommendations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim September 20 through September 26, 2015, as

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across the State, and I urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the important contributions of Nursing Professional Development Specialists to the nursing professions in Arkansas.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, in the year of our Lord 2015.



Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State