

STATE OF ARKANSAS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Quality, affordable, and accessible patient-centered healthcare, provided by physician assistants (PAs), contributes to the well-being and quality of life for all patients of Arkansas; and

WHEREAS: PAs are often the first point of contact for many patients and play a vital role in helping them understand their medical needs and empowering them to become effective advocates for their own health; and

WHEREAS: PAs are academically and clinically prepared to practice medicine in all settings and specialties, including the diagnosis and treatment of disease, assisting at surgery and prescribing medications; and

WHEREAS: A valuable asset to the medical team, PAs practice medicine to enhance the delivery of high-quality healthcare for patients, often in medically underserved and rural areas; and

WHEREAS: PAs play an important role in providing healthcare for military members and their families in Arkansas, in our nation, and abroad; and

WHEREAS: PAs have earned the respect of the general public for their dedication and contributions to people's lives and for working together with the healthcare team to ensure delivery of more effective and efficient healthcare services;

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 October 6th through October 12th, 2019, as

NATIONAL PA WEEK IN ARKANSAS

across the State, and encourage all citizens to recognize PAs for the significant impact they have made and continue to make in healthcare as a critical part of the healthcare team.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 22nd day of July, in the year of our Lord 2019.





Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest:


John Thurston, Secretary Of State