

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 506 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY REICHLEY, MCGEEHAN, ADOLPH, BAKER, BARRAR, BENNINGHOFF, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, CONKLIN, CREIGHTON, CUTLER, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FLECK, GEIST, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HELM, HENNESSEY, HESS, HORNAMAN, KILLION, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, MAJOR, MANDERINO, MARKOSEK, MELIO, MILLARD, MILNE, MOUL, MUNDY, MURT, MUSTIO, OBERLANDER, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PAYNE, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, QUINN, RAPP, READSHAW, ROCK, ROEBUCK, ROHRER, ROSS, SAINATO, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, SEIP, SIPTROTH, SONNEY, STEVENSON, SWANGER, TRUE, WATSON, K. SMITH, BEAR AND BOBACK, OCTOBER 14, 2009

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of November 8 through 14, 2009, as
2 "Perioperative Nurse Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Surgery today is highly technical, sophisticated and
4 exacting; and

5 WHEREAS, The perioperative registered nurse is highly skilled
6 in providing nursing care and managing the perioperative
7 environment surgical patients need for their mind, body and
8 spirit; and

9 WHEREAS, Surgical patients and their families are
10 experiencing a major event in their lives and the perioperative
11 registered nurse is an expert in allaying patients' fears,
12 preparing patients for what will happen during surgery,
13 providing family support and discussing how patients will feel

1 during the entire surgical experience; and

2 WHEREAS, Perioperative registered nurses have a long
3 tradition of working toward patient safety and improving the
4 quality of patient care; and

5 WHEREAS, Surgical patients rely on the skills, knowledge and
6 expertise of perioperative registered nurses; and

7 WHEREAS, The Association of Perioperative Registered Nurses
8 designates the week of November 8 through 14, 2009, as
9 Perioperative Nurse Week to recognize the nation's perioperative
10 registered nurses who care for patients before, during and after
11 surgery; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
13 November 8 through 14, 2009, as "Perioperative Nurse Week" in
14 appreciation of the specialized skills and dedicated work of
15 perioperative nurse health care professionals to promote patient
16 safety in Pennsylvania operating rooms.