PROCLAMATION

"National Nurse Practitioner Week" November 11 – 17, 2018

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) serve as trusted frontline providers of health care for patients in California;

WHEREAS, NPs are advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) who have advanced clinical education and training building upon their initial registered nurse preparation;

WHEREAS, there are 234,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States providing primary, acute and specialty care to patients of all ages and walks of life;

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners diagnose, treat and prescribe medications and other treatments to patients through a caring, patient-centered, holistic model of care;

WHEREAS, citizens of our state and nation have great trust in the high-quality care nurse practitioners provide, resulting in over one **<u>billion</u>** patient visits annually to NPs across the country;

WHEREAS, five decades of research demonstrates the high quality of care provided by nurse practitioners;

WHEREAS, 22 states and the District of Columbia have implemented Full Practice Authority for nurse practitioners, granting patients full and direct access to the outstanding care offered by these health care providers; and

WHEREAS, leading governmental and policy entities including the National Academy of Medicine, National Council of State Boards of Nursing, National Governors Association and Federal Trade Commission have taken notice of the benefits of nurse practitioner Full Practice Authority and have endorsed such a regulatory model.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Garden Grove, does hereby proclaim in recognition of the countless contributions that nurse practitioners have made over the past half century and will continue to make to the health and well-being of citizens in our state, November 11 – 17, 2018, as Nurse Practitioner Week.

November 13, 2018

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