PROCLAMATION

"National Nurse Practitioner Week" November 13th – 19th, 2022

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) serve as trusted frontline healthcare providers in California;

WHEREAS, from the front lines of the pandemic to telehealth, NPs are rising to meet the needs of patients in all communities and practice settings;

WHEREAS, NPs provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty care services while focusing on health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices every day;

WHEREAS, there are 355,000 licensed NPs in the United States who have achieved advanced education and clinical training, building upon their initial registered nurse preparation;

WHEREAS, 22 states, the District of Columbia, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands have implemented Full Practice Authority for NPs, granting patients full and direct access to outstanding care with better utilization through modernized state laws and improved policies to promote high quality, accessible, and cost effective health care; 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 NP Full Practice Authority and have endorsed such a regulatory model.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Garden Grove City Council, does hereby declare 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 13th through 19th, 2022, as Nurse Practitioner Week.

October 25, 2022