

## A Proclamation

Whereas Massachusetts has more than 1000 practicing physician anesthesiologists and is one of the preeminent education centers for physician anesthesiologists with over 500 resident and fellows in anesthesia training programs; and

Whereas Massachusetts is known worldwide as a providing the highest quality health care; and

Whereas Physician anesthesiologists deliver care to patients in Massachusetts Operating Rooms,
Procedural Suites, Intensive Care Units, Pain Clinics, Surgery Centers and Offices across the
Commonwealth. They play a critical role, before, during and after procedures making patient safety
their top priority; and

Whereas Anesthesia is safer than ever before but there always is a potential for complications and side effects and physician anesthesiologists have the training and expertise to help minimize risks, monitor for any problems and take quick action; and

Whereas When seconds count, when emergencies or complications occur unexpectedly, physician anesthesiologists draw on their extensive medical education and years of clinical training and experience to make critical decisions that save lives; and

Whereas Physician anesthesiologists are committed to high quality and sufe putient care and educating patients to make their anesthesia even safer, reduce the risk of complications and enhance their recovery from surgery; and

Whereas Physician anesthesiologists are dedicated to truth and transparency in health care delivery, including informing and protecting patients from unexpected or surprise gaps in their insurance coverage,

Now, Therefore, I, Charles D. Baker, Governor of the Commonwealth of Mussachusetts, do hereby proclaim January 29th. February 4th, 2017, to be,

## PHYSICIAN ANESTHESIOLOGIST WEEK

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this Twenty Third Day of January, in the year two thousand and seventeen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty first.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

CHARLES D. BAKER
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

KARYN E. POLITO
LT. GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

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God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts