

CITY OF YAKIMA

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for over 60 years, surgical technology has grown to meet the ever-increasing demand for well-educated, highly-skilled and versatile surgical technologists; and

WHEREAS, surgical technologists are entrusted with the lives and well-being of patients and provide a critical service during surgical procedures; and

WHEREAS, over 90,000 surgical technologists nationwide are an integral part of the surgical team committed to providing the highest quality of surgical care to patients; and

WHEREAS, surgical technologists are responsible for the application of sterile and aseptic technique in the operating room, ensuring that equipment functions properly and facilitating safe and effective conduct during invasive surgical procedures; and

WHEREAS, surgical technologists strive to prevent life-threatening surgical site infections and maximize patient safety; and

WHEREAS, Certified Surgical Technologists graduate from an accredited program and receive certification conferred by the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting based upon passage of the national examination; and

WHEREAS, the surgical technologist's motto "Aeger Primo, the patient first" reflects total commitment to patient safety and advocacy,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Patricia Byers, Mayor of the City of Yakima and on behalf of the Yakima City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of September 19-25, 2021 as

"SURGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS WEEK"

in the City of Yakima, and encourage all citizens to join me in acknowledging the important role of surgical technologists in the care and recovery of their patients.

Dated this 7th day of September, 2021

Patricia Byers, Mayor