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SENATE RESOLUTION

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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

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

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WHEREAS, Over 100,000 surgical technologists nationwide are an integral part of the surgical team committed to providing the highest quality of surgical care to patients; and

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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 procedure; and

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

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WHEREAS, Certified surgical technologists graduate from an

1 accredited program and receive certification conferred by the
2 National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting
3 based upon passage of the national examination; and

4 WHEREAS, The surgical technologist's motto "Aeger Primo",
5 which means "the patient first", reflects total commitment to
6 patient safety and advocacy; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare September
9 15-21, 2024 as Surgical Technologists Week in the State of
10 Illinois; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That we recognize the 55,000 surgical
12 technologists who hold certified surgical technologist (CST)
13 credentials as they celebrate National Surgical Technologists
14 Week from September 15-21, 2024; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the Association of Surgical Technologists as a
17 symbol of our respect and esteem.