

# STATE OF MINNESOTA



## Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Surgical technologists are allied health professionals who work closely with surgeons, anesthesiologists, registered nurses and other surgical personnel caring for the surgical patient; and
- WHEREAS: Surgical technologists have the primary responsibility for maintaining the sterile field around the patient, being constantly vigilant that proper technique is followed; and
- WHEREAS: Surgical technologists are educated specifically to work in the operating environment and know exactly what to do to assist the surgeon and other team members in assuring the best surgical outcome; and
- WHEREAS: Surgical technologists are skilled professionals uniquely prepared and proud of their role as valuable and integral members of the surgical team for the benefit of surgical patients and public; and
- WHEREAS: The Association of Surgical Technologists, Inc., was officially incorporated as a nonprofit educational association in 1969 to ensure that surgical technologists are educationally prepared to deliver quality patient care, which is accomplished through accredited surgical technology programs, national certification and continuing education;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ARNE H. CARLSON, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim September 20 - 26, 1998 to be

### *Surgical Technologists' Week*

in Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this twentieth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight, and of the State the one hundred fortieth.

*Jean A. Grone*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Arne H. Carlson*  
GOVERNOR

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