

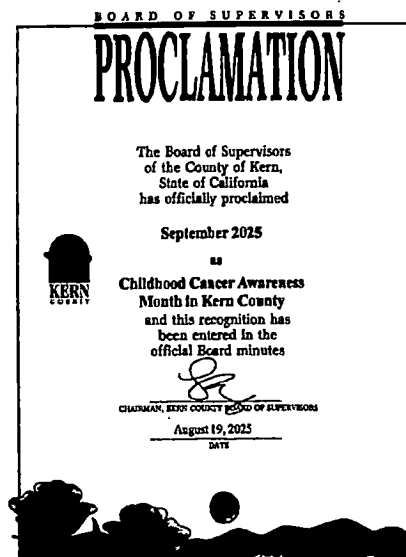
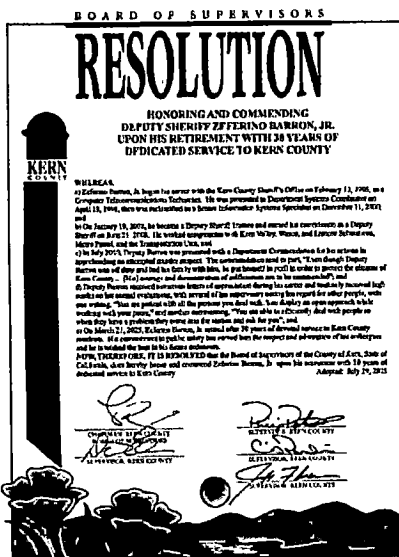
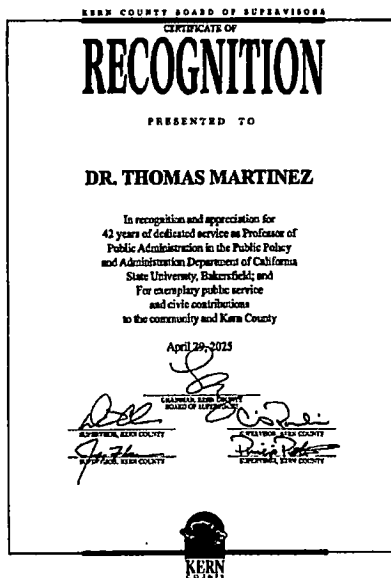
**KERN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CERTIFICATE REQUEST FORM**

Today's Date: 10/5/2026

Supervisorial District: _____

District 1

Type of certificate requested (mark box next to thumbnail, below):



Request for Presentation by Board of Supervisors

Board Meeting Date: _____

Tuesday, October 27, 2026

(Submission is due two weeks prior to Board date)

Item will be **On-Consent** (Not Presented) ☐

Item will be **Off-Consent** (Presented) ☒

If Certificate **will not** be presented at a Board Meeting, insert date of presentation: _____

(Submission is due at least 48 hours prior to presentation)

Name of Agency or Organization receiving Certificate: _____

California Association for Nurse Practitioners

(This name will appear on the Certificate)

Suggested text of Certificate or description of event/peron being recognized: _____

Proclaim November 8–14, 2026, as National Nurse Practitioner Week.

MANDI REDFEARN

Signature of Board Member or District Staff

**Submit Requests to Clerk of the Board.
Attach all supporting documents.**

September 28, 2026

Kern County Board of Supervisors
Attention: Clerk of the Board
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Re: Request for 2026 National Nurse Practitioner Week Proclamation

Dear Members of the Kern County Board of Supervisors:

On behalf of the California Association for Nurse Practitioners (CANP) Kern–Tulare Chapter, I respectfully request that the Kern County Board of Supervisors proclaim November 8–14, 2026, as National Nurse Practitioner Week. CANP is the only statewide organization dedicated to representing the interests of California's more than 46,000 nurse practitioners.

Nurse practitioners provide primary, acute, specialty, and behavioral health care to patients of all ages. Throughout Kern County, NPs serve in hospitals, clinics, private practices, long-term care facilities, educational institutions, and rural and medically underserved communities. Their contributions improve access to timely, high-quality, and patient-centered healthcare for our residents.

California State University, Bakersfield has also played an important role in building the region's nurse practitioner workforce. Since introducing the Family Nurse Practitioner option in 1996, CSUB has prepared at least 250 FNP graduates through 2025. More than 90% of CSUB's FNP graduates remain in the region, strengthening Kern County's healthcare workforce and expanding access to high-quality care.

Recognition by the Board would honor the contributions of nurse practitioners and increase public awareness of the essential services they provide throughout Kern County. As President of the CANP Kern–Tulare Chapter, a practicing nurse practitioner, and Director of the Family Nurse Practitioner Program at CSUB, I would be honored to accept the proclamation on behalf of our chapter and local nurse practitioners.

Attached is a proposed language that may be used or adapted for the proclamation. If feasible, we respectfully request that the proclamation be presented during the November Board meeting.

Thank you for your consideration and for recognizing the contributions of nurse practitioners to the health and well-being of Kern County residents.

Respectfully submitted,


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