WHEREAS, the health of all Americans depends upon educated minds and trained hands; and

WHEREAS, the practice of modern medicine at the standards we now enjoy would be impossible without the scientific tests performed daily in medical laboratories; and

WHEREAS, these highly trained and dedicated health professionals make an invaluable contribution to quality health care and save countless lives each day by providing reliable laboratory test results required for prevention, detection, diagnosis, and treatment of disease; and

WHEREAS, the diversified employees of the laboratory include pathologists, medical laboratory scientists, histologists, cytotechnologists, pathology assistants, microbiologists, medical laboratory technicians, laboratory assistants, phlebotomists, medical secretaries, transcriptionists, and laboratory clerical staff; and

WHEREAS, laboratory medicine is an honorable profession which should be recognized by all individuals as vital to the high standards of health care enjoyed in Iowa.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim April 14-20th, 2024 as:

Medical Laboratory Professionals Week

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREBETO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS _______ DAY OF APRIL IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR.

KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

PAUL FATE
SECRETARY OF STATE