

Humboldt County Board of Supervisors PROCLAMATION

in honor of

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

WHEREAS, nurses in the U.S. constitute our nation's largest health care profession, with approximately 4.7 million nurses nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the depth and breadth of the nursing profession meet the different and emerging health care needs of the Humboldt County population in a wide range of settings, including the frontline of the pandemic response; and

WHEREAS, professional nursing is an indispensable component of the safety and quality of care of hospitalized and non-hospitalized patients; and

WHEREAS, the Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services has 74 nursing professionals serving our community, creating a nurturing, supportive and healthy environment for Humboldt County children, families and individuals in our community through innovative and integrative efforts between Public Health, Behavioral Health and Social Services; and

WHEREAS, the demand for nursing services will be greater than ever in the years to come due to the aging American population, emerging health challenges, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technologies and the explosive growth of home health care services; and

WHEREAS, more trained nurses are needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in our community, with a focus on the nurses' role in community and behavioral health nursing and ensuring community members have access to primary and preventive health care; and

WHEREAS, along with the American Nurses Association, the Board of Registered Nursing has declared May 6-12, as "National Nurses Week," with the theme "The Power of Nurses," and expresses appreciation for nurses' unparalleled impact and contributions to health care, and an open invitation to celebrate nurses and how they enrich our lives and the world we live in.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims May 6-12, 2026, as "National Nurses Week" and recognizes and celebrates nurses' accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system and show our appreciation for nurses not just during this week, but throughout the year.



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Mike Wilson, Chair