



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota places the highest priority on quality health care for all people and greatly appreciates the 122,247 dedicated and professional Registered Nurses in the state, and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota places a priority on high-quality health care and appreciates the over 140,000 dedicated and professional licensed nurses in the state who are leaders in improving the quality of care; and

WHEREAS: Nurses have compassionately and tirelessly responded by managing crises involving clinical treatment, decontamination, isolation, communication, triaging, psychological support and palliative care at the risk of infection, exhaustion, and emotional vulnerability; and

WHEREAS: Nurses provide cost-effective and high-quality healthcare services as an essential component of Minnesota's healthcare delivery system, and more than ever, nurses are needed to meet the renewed emphasis on primary and preventive healthcare and the increasingly complex needs of consumers; and

WHEREAS: Nurses meet the constantly emerging needs of Minnesotans in a wide range of settings, including large medical centers, local hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, veterans' homes, addiction treatment centers, correctional facilities, medical rehab facilities, homes for developmentally disabled Minnesotans, adolescent residential and secure facilities, colleges, community facilities, schools, and private offices; and

WHEREAS: Nurses promote health, healing, and hope; and the celebration of International Nurses Week is May 6-12, 2023, to coincide with the anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 6-12, 2023, as:

NURSES WEEK

in the State of 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 25th day of April.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE