Proclamation

WHEREAS, Registered Nurses are an essential part of our healthcare system's success; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Nurses Association effectively pursues its mission to promote the professional, economic, and personal well-being of nurses, uphold and advance excellence, integrity, and autonomy in the practice of nursing; and

WHEREAS, Nurses risked their lives for Minneapolis residents throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and continue to excel in the treatment of numerous members of the community; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Nurses Association advocates for quality care that is accessible and affordable for patients and communities, including staffing levels, that are adequate to ensure safe patient care; and

WHEREAS, Professional nurses are indispensable to the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients in a wide range of settings; and

WHEREAS, Retention of our Registered Nurses and continued support for nursing students are essential to meet the increasingly complex primary and preventive health care needs of Minneapolis residents; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Nurses Association has declared the week of May 6th- 12th as Nurses Week to coincide with the anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale, a foundational leader in modern nursing; and

WHEREAS, the week is inspired by the theme "Keeping Nurses at the Bedside" in celebration of the many ways in which Registered Nurses provide safe and high-quality patient care and support; and

WHEREAS, The City of Minneapolis places the highest priority on quality health care for all of its citizens and greatly appreciate the efforts of Registered Nurses who live and work throughout the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, I JACOB FREY, Mayor of the City of Minneapolis, do hereby proclaim May 6th-12th, 2023 to be:

NURSES WEEK IN THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS

