

**JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Adiel McKnight, Executive Assistant
DATE: May 1, 2023
SUBJECT: PROCLAMATION re: Proclaiming the Week of May 6-12, 2023 as Nurses Week

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

Every year May 6-12, is Nurses Week. The Commissioners are asked to approve a proclamation and ask all residents of this community to join us in honoring our **HEALTHCARE HEROES**, the registered nurses who care for the public. We welcome the opportunity to show our appreciation not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

FISCAL IMPACT

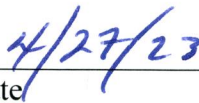
There is no fiscal impact to Jefferson County.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Proclamation re: Proclaiming the Week of May 6-12, 2023 as Nurses Week.

REVIEWED BY:


Mark McCauley, County Administrator


Date

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, nearly 3.8 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and,

WHEREAS, the registered nursing profession is a bedrock supporting health in Jefferson County through the Jefferson County Public Health Department, Jefferson Healthcare Hospital, local medical providers, and long-term care facilities; and,

WHEREAS, Jefferson County Public Health nurses are the first line of disease prevention and epidemiology working with local medical providers to assure testing and treatments for citizens with communicable diseases; and,

WHEREAS, throughout history, the nursing profession has played a major role in responding to crises and provided care and innovation that has saved lives and reduced suffering; and,

WHEREAS, from providing direct care to affected, hospitalized patients to leading full-scale public health operations, nurses are front and center working around the clock to protect the health and well-being of patients and the public at large; and,

WHEREAS, every year on May 6 we celebrate National Nurses Day; and,

WHEREAS, May 12, 2023 marks the 203 birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Jefferson County Commissioners do hereby proclaim May 6-12, 2023 as:

NURSES WEEK

in Jefferson County. We ask all residents of this community to join us in honoring our **HEALTHCARE HEROES**, the registered nurses who care for the public and in showing our appreciation not just during this week but at every opportunity throughout the year.

APPROVED this 1st day of May, 2023.

SEAL:

JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

Greg Brotherton, Chair

Carolyn Gallaway, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Kate Dean, Member

Heidi Eisenhour, Member