### JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

#### **AGENDA REQUEST**

TO:

**Board of County Commissioners** 

FROM:

Adiel McKnight, Deputy Clerk of the Board

DATE:

May 6, 2024

**SUBJECT:** 

PROCLAMATION re: Proclaiming the Week of May 6-12, 2024 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, 2024 as Nurses Week.

REVIEWED BY:

Mark McCauley, County Administrator

5-2-24 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, 2024 marks the 204 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, 2024 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  $6^{th}$  day of May, 2024.

SEAL:

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kate Dean, Chair

ATTEST:

Greg Brotherton, Member

Carolyn Gallaway, CMC, Clerk of the Board

Heidi Eisenhour, Member