



**SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
SNOHOMISH COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Snohomish County, Washington**

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21-019

**A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL AND
SNOHOMISH COUNTY EXECUTIVE RECOGNIZING MAY 6-12, 2021, AS
NATIONAL NURSES WEEK**

WHEREAS, National Nurses Week begins each year on May 6 and ends on May 12, which is Florence Nightingale's birthday; and

WHEREAS, the 8th of May is designated as National Student Nurses Day, and National School Nurse Day is celebrated on the Wednesday within National Nurses Week each year; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, the American Nurses Association expanded National Nurses Week to a month-long celebration in May with weekly themes including: Self Care, Recognition, Professional Development and Community Engagement; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization named 2020 as Year of the Nurse and extended the year into 2021. 2020 was chosen because it's the 200th birthday of Florence Nightingale, not knowing that nurses would be on the frontline of a world health crisis; and

WHEREAS, Washington has over 68,000 registered nurses who hold active licenses; and

WHEREAS, nurses are the heart of healthcare, having a critical responsibility to uphold the highest level of quality and standards in their practice, including fostering a safe work environment; and

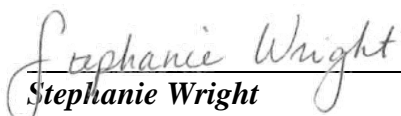
WHEREAS, nursing is a physically demanding position, many nurses cycle through 12-hour shifts on their feet, giving up holidays with their families and working through nights and weekends; and

WHEREAS, the depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meet the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and


WHEREAS, nursing, in general, is stressful and COVID-19 only amplifies that, we recognize the commitment of our nursing professionals and the irreplaceable role they have in our healthcare ecosystem, requiring critical thinking, advanced training, compassion and attentive care;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Snohomish County Council and Snohomish County Executive do hereby recognize May 6 – 12, 2021, as National Nurses Week in Snohomish County and encourage Snohomish County residents to recognize and show appreciation to nurses and the contributions nurses make to our community.


APPROVED this 10th day of May, 2021.



Stephanie Wright
Council Chair



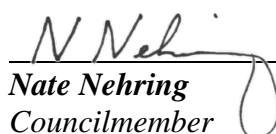
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