



SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

RESOLUTION NO. 26-024

**RECOGNIZING MAY 6-12, 2026,
AS NATIONAL NURSES WEEK IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY**

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

***WHEREAS**, the 8th of May is designated as National Student Nurses Day. National School Nurse Day is celebrated annually on the Wednesday within National Nurses Week to celebrate students who are studying to enter this noble profession; and*

***WHEREAS**, in 2020, the American Nurses Association extended 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 American Nurses Association announced that the 2025 theme is “Care, Lead, Inspire—Repeat” which is the defining cycle of the profession; and*

***WHEREAS**, Washington State has over 90,000 practicing registered nurses; 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 job. Many nurses cycle through 12-hour shifts on their feet, forgoing holidays with their families and working through nights and weekends;*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Snohomish County Council does hereby recognize May 6 – 12, 2026, as National Nurses Week in Snohomish County. The County Council encourages Snohomish County residents to recognize and show appreciation to nurses for the valuable contributions they continue to make to our community.*

APPROVED this 12th day of May, 2026.

Megan Dunn
Council Chair

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ATTEST:

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