NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION ===

NURSES WEEK MAY 6-12, 2023

WHEREAS, more than 6.2 million nurses licensed in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and

WHEREAS, there are 22,371 nurses licensed in the state of North Dakota working to meet the different and emerging health care needs of our citizens; and

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

WHEREAS, the American Nurses Association, as the voice for the nurses of this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventative health care; and

WHEREAS, a renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will require the better utilization of all our nation's nursing resources; and

WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and the demand for nursing services will be greater than ever due to an aging population, the continued expansion of life-sustaining technology and the explosive growth of home care services; and

WHEREAS, cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided by nurses is and will continue to be an increasingly important component of the United States heath care delivery system in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 6-12, 2023, NURSES WEEK in the State of North Dakota.

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GOVERNOR

Michael Howe SECRETARY OF STATE