

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 62

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

A RESOLUTION

To recognize April 30, 2025, as Nurses Day at the Louisiana State Capitol, and May 6th through May 12th, as National Nurses Week in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, *Nurses' Voices Advocating for a Healthier and Safer Louisiana* is the theme for Nurses Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

WHEREAS, over sixty-five thousand registered nurses including over nine thousand advanced practice registered nurses are actively licensed in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association is a leading voice for healthcare advocacy in the state for nurses, healthcare settings, and citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association has established an expanding Program of Advocacy that collaborates with other professional organizations and solicits input from nurses statewide; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association promotes ethical care and high standards for the practice of professional nursing; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association advocates for the inclusion of registered nurses on decision-making boards and commissions; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association advocates for increasing access to primary and preventive health care; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association advocates for access to quality maternal-child healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association advocates for access to quality mental healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association advocates for a safe work environment that promotes the well-being of nurses; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association, supports the American Nurses Association (ANA) Nursing Code of Ethics which calls upon nurses to "respect the inherent dignity, worth, unique attributes, and human rights of all individuals"; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Nurses Association advocates for support for nursing workforce development to create a sustainable healthcare workforce; and

WHEREAS, registered nurses are well-suited to address the diverse and emerging health care needs of the population in a wide range of settings; and

WHEREAS, registered nurses make a difference by influencing and shaping health policy decisions that ensure all Louisiana citizens have access to safe, high-quality, affordable healthcare coverage.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize April 30, 2025, as Nurses Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and May 6th through May 12th as National Nurses Week In Louisiana.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE