



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 512

By Representatives Favors, Clemmons, Miller

and

Senator Yarbro

A RESOLUTION to celebrate the week of May 6–12, 2017, as "Tennessee Nurses Week."

WHEREAS, the nearly 3.3 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest healthcare profession; and

WHEREAS, the ever increasing span of the registered nursing profession meets the different and emerging healthcare needs of the American population; and

WHEREAS, the American Nurses Association and the Tennessee Nurses Association, as the voices for professional nurses, are working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventative healthcare; and

WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of all patients; and

WHEREAS, the demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American and Tennessee populations, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technology, and the explosive growth of home healthcare services; and

WHEREAS, more qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of healthcare consumers in this state; and

WHEREAS, the cost-effective, safe, and quality healthcare services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the United States and Tennessee healthcare delivery systems in the future; and

WHEREAS, along with the American Nurses Association, the Tennessee Nurses Association has declared the week of May 6–12, 2017, as National Nurses Week with the theme "Nursing: The Balance of Mind, Body, and Spirit", as nurses celebrate and lead the charge for health and wellness; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby join with the members of the Tennessee Nurses Association as they celebrate the week of May 6–12, 2017, as "Tennessee Nurses Week" and express our sincere appreciation to Tennessee's registered nurses for their dedication to providing quality care and their efforts to improve our healthcare system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: May 9, 2017



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 12th day of May 2017



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR