

**RESOLUTION 114(22)**

April 6, 2022

WHEREAS, supported by the American Nurses Association, National Nurses Week celebrates nurses and their role in society. The week also helps to raise awareness about nursing as a possible career choice and also to educate the public about the kind of work nurses are involved in; and

WHEREAS, to coincide with Florence Nightingale's birthday (12th of May), National Nurses Week begins on the 6th of May and finishes on the 12th of May each year; and

WHEREAS, 2022 is a time to celebrate the efforts made by nurses everywhere to improve health conditions globally; recognize and reflect upon the challenging conditions nurses face in practice during the COVID-19 pandemic, whether they be physical, emotional, or mental; and, then take strides toward increasing and better caring for the existing nursing workforce; and

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

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

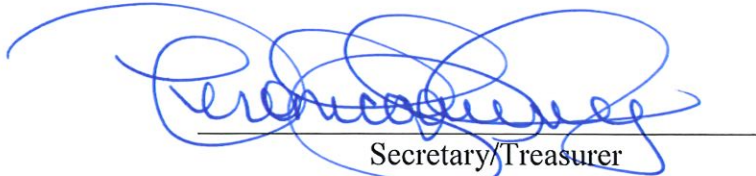
WHEREAS, nursing is the nation's largest healthcare profession, with more than 3.8 million registered nurses (RNs) nationwide. Of all licensed RNs, 84.5% are employed in nursing; and

WHEREAS, the demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, the continuing expansion of life sustaining technology and the explosive growth of home health care services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ocean County Board of Health recognizes and proclaims May 6–12, 2022 as NATIONAL NURSES WEEK and celebrates the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high-quality patient care and recognize their accomplishments, not just during this week, but at every opportunity through the year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Ocean County Board of Commissioners.

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Ayes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Abstain								
Nays								
Absent								

  
Secretary/Treasurer