## OFFERED BY COUNCILORS JOHN FITZGERALD, ERIN MURPHY, BREADON, COLETTA ZAPATA, DURKAN, FLYNN, MEJIA, PEPÉN, SANTANA, WEBER, WORRELL AND LOUIJEUNE



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

- **WHEREAS,** Since 1991, "National Nurses Week" has been celebrated, beginning on May 6th with "National Nurses Day", and concluding on May 12th with the birthday of Florence Nightingale, who is regarded as the founder of modern nursing; *and*,
- **WHEREAS,** More than 64,000 registered nurses are employed within the Greater Boston area providing important essential services to keep our city healthy; *and*,
- **WHEREAS,** Nurses play an important role in not only providing individuals with care, but also can take on the roles as community advocates and educators about health care; *and*,
- **WHEREAS,** Across the country nurses have been in high demand, with current projections stating that by 2032 the employment of registered nurses is expected to grow 6% from 2022 levels; *and*,
- **WHEREAS,** With the growing demand, many nurses have become overworked, due to understaffing forcing each nurse to deal with a high number of patients; and,
- **WHEREAS,** With the essential role that nurses play in keeping our city healthy, it is important that we acknowledge their often stressful and tiring work;

## THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED,

That the Boston City Council recognize May 6, 2025 through May 12, 2025 as "National Nurses Week" recognizing the significant contributions that nurses provide to keeping Boston healthy.

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