OFFERED BY COUNCILORS JOHN FITZGERALD, ERIN MURPHY, BREADON, COLETTA, FERNANDES ANDERSON, 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 there has been a growing need for nurses, with

projections stating that by 2032 the employment of registered nurses is

expected to grow 6% from 2022 levels; and

WHEREAS: With the growing need for nurses, currently employed nurses have become

overworked, due to understaffing resulting in 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, 2024 through May 12,

2024 as "National Nurses Week" recognizing the significant contributions

that nurses provide to keeping Boston healthy.

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