

# State of North Carolina

**JOSH STEIN**  
GOVERNOR

**NURSES WEEK**

**2025**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, registered nurses in the United States constitute our nation's largest health care profession, and there are more than 160,000 registered nurses in North Carolina, and

**WHEREAS**, the depth and breadth 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**, the North Carolina Nurses Association, as the voice for registered nurses in this state, is working to chart a new course for a healthy state that relies on increasing access to primary and preventive health care, and better utilization of all North Carolina's registered nursing resources, and

**WHEREAS**, professional nursing is an indispensable component of the safety and quality of care of hospitalized and non-hospitalized patients in North Carolina, and

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

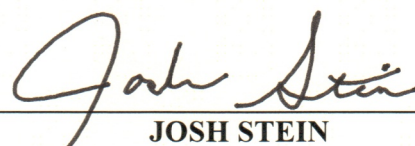
**WHEREAS**, more qualified registered nurses are needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in this community, and

**WHEREAS**, the cost-effective, safe, and high-quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an increasingly important component of the United States health care delivery system in the future, and

**WHEREAS**, along with the American Nurses Association, the North Carolina Nurses Association recognized May 6-12 as Nurses Week, with appreciation for nurses' unparalleled impact and contributions to health care, and an open invitation to #ThankaNurse for enriching our lives and the world we live in;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 6-12, 2025, as "**NURSES WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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**JOSH STEIN**  
Governor

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this fifth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.