



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Nurses are the backbone of the healthcare field and provide lifesaving care to those in need, attending to those with short term and long-term illnesses, providing education, care and hope; Nurses offer grace and dignity to the dying, compassion and hope to the fighting and happiness and joy to the healed; and

WHEREAS, nurses find the balance and proper communication techniques to advocate for patients every day and nurses serve as liaison between doctors, patients and caregivers ensuring clear communication and understanding among all involved; and

WHEREAS, nurses care for their patients, loved ones and caregivers alike and care for all, regardless of race, sexual orientation, creed, political affiliations or personal beliefs; and

WHEREAS, nurses treat for diagnosed ailments, they also listen to their patients and practice a holistic approach to heal the patient as whole not only a diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, nurses will sustain the harshest of environment to execute their oath, nurses will place their patient's well-being above their own and nurses will miss holidays and special family moments to be available to those who may not have another soul to offer them care and comfort; and

WHEREAS, most importantly Nurses are a vital part of our community, promoting healing, health, and wellbeing and it is of the utmost importance and proper to recognize the endless accomplishments and immeasurable value of Nurses.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR of the City of Key West, along with the entire Key West City Commission do hereby proclaim May 6 – 12, 2024 as

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

in the "Southernmost City of the Continental United States." I would like to urge all citizens, residents, and visitors of our Southernmost City to participate fittingly in the observation.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Key West, Florida, this 9th day of May 2024.

Teri Johnston, Mayor

Lissette Carey, Commissioner

Sam Kaufman, Vice Mayor

Billy Wardlow, Commissioner

Mary Lou Hoover, Commissioner

Clayton Lopez, Commissioner

Jimmy Weekley, Commissioner

