



May 7, 2013

Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson  
United States House of Representatives  
2468 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Johnson:

On behalf of the 42 undersigned organizations representing the Nursing Community, we would like to express our support for your resolution recognizing National Nurses Week. The Nursing Community advocates on a broad spectrum of issues to promote America's health through nursing care. Collectively, our organizations represent nearly one million Registered Nurses, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (including certified nurse-midwives, nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and certified registered nurse anesthetists), nurse executives, nursing students, nursing faculty, and nurse researchers.

Your resolution emphasizes the significant contributions nurses make to America's healthcare system. Registered nurses provide care across the continuum, from prevention education and chronic disease management to life-saving interventions. Nurses are at the front lines of care in all settings and during our nation's most devastating crises. Your resolution calls attention to the profession's dedication and integrity to upholding only the highest standard of care. The Nursing Community sincerely appreciates how your resolution clearly recognizes these contributions and suggests federal and state support to grow the workforce.

Again, we thank you for your continued commitment to America's nurses and for introducing this resolution honoring National Nurses Week. If our organizations can be of any assistance, please contact the convener of the Nursing Community, Dr. Suzanne Miyamoto, at [Smiyamoto@aacn.nche.edu](mailto:Smiyamoto@aacn.nche.edu) or 202-463-6930, ext. 247.

Sincerely,

Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses  
American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing  
American Academy of Nursing  
American Association of Colleges of Nursing  
American Association of Nurse Anesthetists  
American Association of Nurse Practitioners  
American College of Nurse-Midwives  
American Nephrology Nurses' Association  
American Nurses Association  
American Organization of Nurse Executives  
American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association

American Society for Pain Management Nursing  
American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses  
Association of Community Health Nursing Educators  
Association of Nurses in AIDS Care  
Association of periOperative Registered Nurses  
Association of Public Health Nurses  
Association of Rehabilitation Nurses  
Commissioned Officers Association of the U.S. Public Health Service  
Dermatology Nurses' Association  
Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurses Association  
Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association  
Infusion Nurses Society  
International Association of Forensic Nurses  
International Society of Psychiatric Nursing  
National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists  
National Association of Neonatal Nurse Practitioners  
National Association of Neonatal Nurses  
National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health  
National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners  
National Association of School Nurses  
National Black Nurses Association  
National Nursing Centers Consortium  
National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing  
National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties  
Oncology Nursing Society  
Pediatric Endocrinology Nursing Society  
Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association  
Public Health Nursing Section, American Public Health Association  
Society of Urologic Nurses and Associates  
The Quad Council of Public Health Nursing Organizations  
Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurses Society