

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 45

Senators McDonald Rivet, Singh, Hertel, Klinefelt, McCann, Geiss, Irwin, Cavanagh, Runestad, Damoose, Wojno, Bayer, Outman and Anthony offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize May 2023 as Nurses Month.

2 Whereas, Registered nurses in the United States constitute our
3 nation's largest health care profession; and

4 Whereas, The depth and breadth of the registered nursing
5 profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of
6 the American population in a wide range of settings, including the
7 frontline of the pandemic; and

8 Whereas, The American Nurses Association, as the voice for
9 registered nurses in this country, is working to chart a new course
10 for a healthy nation that relies on increasing access to primary

1 and preventive health care, and better utilization of our nation's
2 registered nursing resources; and

3 Whereas, Michigan nurses are an indispensable component of the
4 safety and quality of care for hospitalized and non-hospitalized
5 patients; and

6 Whereas, The demand for registered nursing services will be
7 greater than ever because of the aging population, emerging health
8 challenges, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining
9 technologies, and the explosive growth of home health care
10 services; and

11 Whereas, More qualified registered nurses are needed in the
12 future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care
13 consumers in this community; and

14 Whereas, Nurses in Michigan fight for the health, safety, and
15 human rights not only of the sick and injured, but also of the
16 elderly, the young, those with disabilities, the economically
17 disadvantaged, and the most vulnerable among us; and

18 Whereas, Under the leadership of the Michigan Nurses
19 Association, the largest group representing Michigan registered
20 nurses, nurses across Michigan are working to enhance the
21 profession; now, therefore, be it

22 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
23 body recognize May 2023 as Nurses Month. We convey our utmost
24 respect and gratitude for the work of nurses every day throughout
25 our state and urge all residents to do so; and be it further

26 Resolved, That supporting nurses' ability to provide safe,
27 quality care and developing and maintaining a thriving nurse
28 workforce is of concern to all Michigan residents. We honor the
29 work and dedication of nurses around the world and here in

1 Michigan.