

PROCLAMATION

National Nurses Week begins each year on May 6th and ends on May 12th in the United States. International Nurses Day was designated to fall on the Birthday of Florence Nightingale, who was born on May 12, 1820 and was a trailblazing figure and the founder of modern nursing affecting change and policies for proper medical care.

Nurses care for the sick in many hospital, clinic, and home settings. Now, more than ever, nurses nationwide are working with their counterparts on the frontlines to battle the coronavirus pandemic and other illnesses every day.

Whereas, the more than 3.8 million registered nurses, nurse practitioners, and licensed practical nurses nationally are not only the cornerstone of patient care, but are also leaders in improving the quality of care and seeking ways to continue increasing access to care: and

Whereas, the depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meet the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and

Whereas, Nurses provide the highest quality patient care and the profession is celebrating more than 100 years and the many contributions nurses make every day for their patients; and

Whereas, a renewed emphasis on primary and preventative health care will require better utilization of our entire nation's registered nursing resources. Professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component of the safety and quality of care of all patients; and

Whereas, nurses connect individual, team and organizational safety goals in all healthcare settings. The demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technologies, and the explosive growth of home health care services.

So, in recognition of the heroic efforts put forth by Nurses today and every day, and to recognize their efforts, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sugar Hill hereby proclaim Tuesday May 12th as International Nurses Day in Sugar Hill.