



# Snohomish Health District Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, National Nurses Week begins each year on May 6 and ends on May 12, which is the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Snohomish Health District Board of Health in May 2021 recognized and honored the nurses of Snohomish County, and wishes to continue to recognize and honor these vital healthcare professionals for their ongoing dedication and hard work; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 3.8 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 68,000 registered nurses hold active licenses in Washington State and are an indispensable component of the safety and quality of care and hospitalized patients; and

**WHEREAS**, a nurse was one of the first public health employees in Snohomish County in 1913, and the Snohomish Health District has been relying on its nurses to protect and promote the health of our residents ever since; and

**WHEREAS**, the depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of the Washington population in a wide range of settings, including hospitals, clinics, schools, and public health and long-term care facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the demand for registered nursing services are greater than ever because of the complex healthcare challenges of COVID-19 patients as well as the aging of the American population, and the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technology; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Nurses Association has declared May as Nurses Month, with the theme "You Make a Difference," a nod to nurses' sheer numbers, their unparalleled impact during the pandemic and health care;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Snohomish Health District Board of Health recognizes and honors the nurses of Snohomish County, and encourages all people to extend their gratitude and appreciation to nurses for the selfless work they do and for the positive influence they have on our community.



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***ADOPTED this 10th day of May 2022:***

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