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Proclamation declaring the week of May 6 through May 12, 2016 as "Nurses Week" in Allegheny County.

Body...

WHEREAS, "National Nurses Week" begins May 6 and ends May 12 each year, in conjunction with Florence Nightingale's birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, Pennsylvania has 218,000 registered nurses, including approximately 55,000 licensed practical nurses and 12,000 advanced practice registered nurses, which makes nursing the largest licensed health care profession in our Commonwealth; and

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

**WHEREAS**, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and

**WHEREAS**, 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 technology, and the explosive growth of home health care services; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme is "Culture of Safety: It Starts With YOU" in celebration of the ways in which nurses strive to provide high quality patient care and improve our health care system;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Allegheny County Council does hereby declare the week of

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May 6 through May 12, 2016 as *NURSES WEEK* and that all residents of Allegheny County join in acknowledging the nurses who care for all of us, and *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the residents of Allegheny County celebrate nursing's accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care systems.