SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 41

Senators Hertel, Geiss, Moss and Santana offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to observe May 6-12, 2025, as National Nurses
- Week.
- 3 Whereas, Registered nurses in the United States constitute our
- 4 nation's largest health care profession; and
- 5 Whereas, The depth and breadth of the registered nursing
- 6 profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of
- 7 the American population in a wide range of settings, including the
- 8 frontline of the pandemic; and
- 9 Whereas, The American Nurses Association, as the voice for
- 10 registered nurses in this country, is working to chart a new course
- 11 for a healthy nation that relies on increasing access to primary
- 12 and preventive health care, and better utilization of our nation's
- 13 registered nursing resources; and

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Whereas, Michigan nurses are an indispensable component of the 1 safety and quality of care for hospitalized and non-hospitalized 2 3 patients; and Whereas, The demand for registered nursing services will be 4 greater than ever because of the aging population, emerging health 5 6 challenges, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining 7 technologies, and the explosive growth of home health care 8 services; and 9 Whereas, More qualified registered nurses are needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care 10 11 consumers in this community; and Whereas, Nurses in Michigan fight for the health, safety, and 12 human rights not only of the sick and injured, but also of the 13 elderly, the young, those with disabilities, the economically 14 15 disadvantaged, and the most vulnerable among us; and Whereas, Under the leadership of the Michigan Nurses 16 Association, the largest group representing Michigan registered 17 nurses, nurses across our state are working to enhance the 18 profession; now, therefore, be it 19 20 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body observe May 6-12, 2025, as National Nurses Week. We convey our 21 22 utmost respect and gratitude for the work of nurses every day 23 throughout Michigan and urge all residents to do so; and be it 24 further 25 Resolved, That supporting nurses' ability to provide safe, quality care and developing and maintaining a thriving nurse 26 27 workforce is of concern to all Michigan residents. We honor the work and dedication of nurses around the world and here in 28

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