SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 41

Senator Hertel offered the following resolution: A resolution to observe May 6-12, 2025, as National Nurses 1 2 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 profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of 6 the American population in a wide range of settings, including the 7 8 frontline of the pandemic; and Whereas, The American Nurses Association, as the voice for 9 10 registered nurses in this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing access to primary 11 12 and preventive health care, and better utilization of our nation's 13 registered nursing resources; and 14 Whereas, Michigan nurses are an indispensable component of the

- 1 safety and quality of care for hospitalized and non-hospitalized
- 2 patients; and
- 3 Whereas, The demand for registered nursing services will be
- 4 greater than ever because of the aging population, emerging health
- 5 challenges, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining
- 6 technologies, and the explosive growth of home health care
- 7 services; and
- 8 Whereas, More qualified registered nurses are needed in the
- 9 future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care
- 10 consumers in this community; and
- 11 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 disadvantaged, and the most vulnerable among us; and
- 15 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 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
- 20 body observe May 6-12, 2025, as National Nurses Week. We convey our
- 21 utmost respect and gratitude for the work of nurses every day
- 22 throughout Michigan and urge all residents to do so; and be it
- 23 further
- 24 Resolved, That supporting nurses' ability to provide safe,
- 25 quality care and developing and maintaining a thriving nurse
- 26 workforce is of concern to all Michigan residents. We honor the
- 27 work and dedication of nurses around the world and here in
- 28 Michigan.