

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.254

Rep. Anthony offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare May 6-12, 2020, as Nurses Week in the
2 state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, May 6-12, 2020, is recognized as National Nurses
4 Week, beginning with National Nurses Day on May 6 and ending with
5 the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern
6 nursing, on May 12; and

7 Whereas, Nurses are the largest sector of the healthcare
8 workforce and provide the most direct and continuous skilled care
9 to people of every age; and

10 Whereas, Nurses are educated professionals who perform the
11 challenging and complex job of caring for the sick and injured
12 every day in a myriad of settings, often under very difficult
13 conditions; and



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2 Whereas, Nurses are globally recognized for their commitment
3 to advocating for their patients and refusing to compromise their
4 high standards for safe, high-quality patient care; and

5 Whereas, Nurses make valuable contributions to advancing
6 health and safety by promoting prevention and healthy behaviors
7 among Michigan residents; and

8 Whereas, Nurses advocate for their patients at the bedside
9 and beyond, working to create a world in which all people have
10 access to care and can live safe, healthy, and prosperous lives;
11 and

12 Whereas, Nurses in Michigan fight for the health, safety, and
13 human rights not only of the sick and injured, but also of the
14 elderly, the young, those with disabilities, the economically
15 disadvantaged, and the most vulnerable among us; and

16 Whereas, Under this unprecedented time nurses are working day
17 and night caring for those who have contracted the novel
18 coronavirus, at the risk of their own lives and the lives of their
19 family; and

20 Whereas, Under the leadership of the Michigan Nurses
21 Association, the largest group representing Michigan registered
22 nurses, nurses across Michigan are working to enhance the nursing
23 profession; now, therefore, be it

24 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
25 this legislative body declare May 6-12, 2020, as Nurses Week in the
26 state of Michigan. We convey our upmost respect and gratitude for
27 the work of nurses every day throughout our state and urge all
28 residents to do so year-round; and be it further

29 Resolved, That supporting nurses' ability to provide safe,

- 1 quality care and developing and maintaining a thriving nurse
- 2 workforce is of concern to all Michigan residents. We honor the
- 3 work and dedication of nurses around the world and here in
- 4 Michigan.