



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

FLORIDA NURSES WEEK

WHEREAS, registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and

WHEREAS, Florida has over 400,000 licensed registered and licensed practical nurses; 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, a renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will require better utilization of our nation's registered nursing resources; and

WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component of the safety and quality of care of 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 technologies, and the explosive growth of home health care services; and

WHEREAS, more qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing May 6-12, 2019, as *Florida Nurses Week*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 6th day of May, in the year two thousand nineteen.


Governor