



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

FLORIDA NURSE WEEK

WHEREAS, registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care; and

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

WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component to 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 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 healthcare consumers in this community; and

WHEREAS, the cost-effective, safe, and quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care delivery system in the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing May 6 – 12, 2016, as *Florida Nurse 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 fifth day of May, in the year two thousand sixteen.


Governor