

**Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California**

Resolution No.

Adopt Resolution Proclaiming the)
Week of May 6th - May 12th, 2013, as)
“*National Nurses Week*” in Monterey County.....)

WHEREAS, “*National Nurses Week*” each year begins on May 6th and ends on May 12th, and always coincides with Florence Nightingale’s birthday; and

WHEREAS, the nearly 3.1 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation’s largest health care profession; and

WHEREAS, since 1896, the American Nurses Association has supported and promoted recognition for the nursing profession, and is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventive health care; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey recognizes and values the professionalism of the nurses working throughout Monterey County, and their dedication to the health and well-being of our communities; and

WHEREAS, nurses are a part of health promotion, disease prevention, primary care, acute care, and long term care in settings that involve hospitals, public health, clinics, long-term care facilities, private healthcare providers, home, and other community settings; and

WHEREAS, recognizing in the last 10 to 15 years nurses roles have expanded as they have taken on more responsibility for the delivery of health care; and

WHEREAS, a renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will require the better utilization of all of our nation's registered nursing resources, and

WHEREAS, advance practice nurses play a key role in the delivery of primary care and other health care services to ensure access to high quality health care for all to further the intent of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey would like to recognize all individuals who have chosen or aspire to the profession of nursing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, County of Monterey, that the week of May 6th through May 12th, 2013, be designated “*National Nurses Week*” in Monterey County, and calls upon all citizens to celebrate and show appreciation for our community’s nurses, their accomplishments and efforts to improve our community health systems and citizens’ well-being.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2013, by the following vote, to wit: