

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

Resolution No.:

Adopt a resolution designating **May 6th** through **May 12th, 2026**, as “**National Nurses Week**” in Monterey County.

WHEREAS, National Nurses Week acknowledges the extraordinary contributions of nurses across the nation, this year emphasizing “*The Power of Nurses*” and recognizing the invaluable contributions nurses make in health care and public health; and

WHEREAS, Nursing is the largest health care profession in the United States, tracing its roots back to the 1850s with pioneering figures, such as Florence Nightingale, whose legacy inspires modern nursing practice; and

WHEREAS, Professional nursing is an indispensable component of the safety and quality of care for patients of the County of Monterey health system, including the Natividad Medical Center and the Health Department; and

WHEREAS, Throughout their careers, nurses face remarkable challenges with resilience and dedication, demonstrating unwavering commitment to patient safety, comfort, and dignity; and

WHEREAS, The more than 650 skilled nurses at Natividad deliver compassionate, high-quality care across a wide range of specialties and clinics, including Emergency, Labor & Delivery, Trauma, Quality, Case Management, Medical-Surgical, Intensive Care, Pediatrics, Neonatal Intensive Care, Primary and Specialty Care, Surgical Services, Cardiology, Mental Health, and Acute Rehabilitation, among many others, working tirelessly to ensure positive patient experiences and improved health outcomes for all those they serve; and

WHEREAS, The Health Department's Public Health Bureau nurses focus on preventing disease and reducing health risks at the population level, delivering evidence-based services and education throughout the community to promote wellness and protect the health of all Monterey County residents; and

WHEREAS, The nurses of the Clinic Services Bureau and Behavioral Health Bureau are instrumental in providing holistic health support, addressing both the physical and mental health needs, and actively contributing to the overall health improvement of Monterey County residents; and

WHEREAS, Five Natividad nurses were recognized with DAISY Awards for Extraordinary Nursing, and four Natividad team members were honored with Partners in Caring Awards, which recognize clinicians who demonstrate exemplary teamwork and collaboration with nursing staff; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all the residents thereof, hereby proclaims **May 6th** through **May 12th, 2026**, as “**National Nurses Week**” in Monterey County and hereby acknowledges, commends, and expresses its sincere appreciation to all nurses at Natividad and the County of Monterey Health Department for their unwavering commitment, compassion, and outstanding service.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this ___ day of May 2026, upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____ by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book ___ for the meeting on _____.

Dated:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California

By _____
Deputy