

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the observance of May 6, 2013, as National Nurses Day, and May 6-12, 2013, as National Nurses Week, in the State of New York

WHEREAS, On Monday, May 6, 2013, South Nassau Communities Hospital in Oceanside, New York, will host a breakfast to celebrate National Nurses Day; and

WHEREAS, Each year, National Nurses Day, also known as National RN Recognition Day, is celebrated on May 6th and opens National Nurses Week, which begins May 6th and ends May 12th, the birth date of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing; and

WHEREAS, Florence Nightingale came to prominence while serving as a nurse during the Crimean War, where she tended to wounded soldiers; she was dubbed "The Lady with the Lamp" after her habit of making rounds at night; and

WHEREAS, National Nurses Week is one of the nation's largest health care events, recognizing the contributions and commitments nurses make, and educating the public about the significant work they perform; and

WHEREAS, On May 6, 2013, the South Nassau Communities Hospital will be joining the American Nurses Association in celebrating the 2013 National Nurses Week with the theme being "Delivering Quality and Innovation in Patient Care"; and

WHEREAS, In honor of the dedication, commitment and tireless effort of the nearly 3.1 million registered nurses nationwide to promote and maintain the health of the Nation, this Legislative Body is justly proud to recognize the registered nurses of the State of New York, and to urge all its citizens to support National Nurses Day and National Nurses Week; and

WHEREAS, It is most appropriate that this great Empire State recognizes the worthy and beneficial purposes of celebrating both National Nurses Day and National Nurses Week; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to call attention to events that serve to bring people together for the united purpose of actively pursuing improvements in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the observance of May 6, 2013, as National Nurses Day, and May 6-12, 2013, as National Nurses Week, in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the South Nassau Communities Hospital.