



City of Bellevue | Proclamation

- Whereas:** Nursing is the nation's largest healthcare profession, with more than 4 million registered nurses (RNs) nationwide; and
- Whereas:** With more than three times as many RNs in the United States as physicians, nursing delivers a wide range of healthcare services including primary, preventive and specialty care in areas such as pediatrics, gerontological care, oncology, neurological, and obstetric/gynecological nursing; and
- Whereas:** An expansive depth and breadth of the nursing profession is required to meet the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and
- Whereas:** Nurses are frontline responders to COVID-19 patients, providing critical treatment and care at the risk of their own health and safety; and
- Whereas:** Over the past year, nurses have faced limitations on supplies, including personal protective equipment, and have played a major role in interacting with the families of patients; and
- Whereas:** May 12 is the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing.

Now, therefore, I, Lynne Robinson, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, and on behalf of its City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of **May 6-12, 2021** as:

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

in Bellevue and encourage all residents to celebrate Nurses Week by recognizing the contributions of the variety of nurses in our communities, particularly as they continue to battle the COVID-19 pandemic and provide supportive and lifesaving care to all patients.

Lynne Robinson, Mayor
City of Bellevue