

Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

PROCLAIMING MAY 6-12, 2022 AS NATIONAL NURSES WEEK
IN SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

WHEREAS, the American Nurses Association (ANA) theme of "Nurses Make a Difference" could not be truer for Santa Cruz. Santa Cruz County Nurses are vital to the health of our communities before, during and after the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, nurses at all levels within each division, clinic, mobile or pop-up site within our community have proven during the COVID-19 health pandemic to be more than just essential workers. Nurses are frontline heroes for all of Santa Cruz County; and

WHEREAS, the pledge our nurses have taken to provide quality care and ensure patient safety is and always have been critical to the welfare of our entire county; and

WHEREAS, nurses in Santa Cruz county improve health by addressing social determinants of health for the entire continuum of life, from birth to end of life; and

WHEREAS, nurses provide care to individuals, families, neighborhoods, communities, and systems, and are drivers of prevention and self-efficacy; and

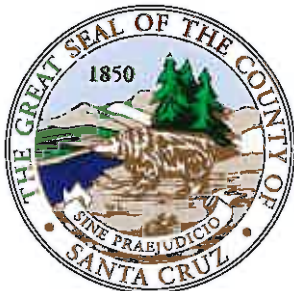
WHEREAS, nurses at all stages of education and experience volunteered, stepped up and served with many other disciplines to ensure equitable and sufficient access to testing, vaccinations, and education during COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, active and retired career nurses from the Santa Cruz County Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) contributed thousands of volunteer hours to ensure that pop-up clinics, mass vaccination efforts and vaccine strike teams for homebound individuals were delivered safely and equitably; and

WHEREAS, nurses from across Santa Cruz county served in shelters during disasters, updated protocols for infection prevention and consulted on planning for future medical-health disaster needs; and

WHEREAS, the appreciation for our nurses during this time simply cannot be overstated.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Manu Koenig, Chair of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim the week of May 6-12, 2022, as National Nurses Week in Santa Cruz County.



Manu Koenig
Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

May 1, 2022

Date