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Lake County Commissioners Recognize May 2022 as National Nurses Month in Lake County, Ohio

PAINESVILLE, OH, May 12, 2022 – In their weekly meeting on May 12th, the Lake County Board of Commissioners issued a special resolution designating May 2022 as “National Nurses Month” in Lake County, Ohio.

The advent of modern nursing is credited to Florence Nightingale, who laid the foundation for professional nursing through her tireless work during and after the Crimean War. As a nursing manager, on the frontlines, Nightingale introduced hygiene protocols and other measures that drastically reduced infections and death in battlefield hospitals. Nurses Month in May coincides with the birthday of Florence Nightingale.

“The Board is very happy to draw attention and reflect on all the critical contributions that nurses have made here in Lake County to promote safe, high-quality health care to our residents. Nurses touch the lives of families through every stage of life,” stated Commission President John Hamercheck.

Commissioner John Plecnik added, “Nurses serve on the front lines, risking their lives treating the injured and sick during wartime, natural disasters and public health emergencies. We are so grateful for their expertise and for keeping pace with new technologies and methods of treatments thereby expanding their role in our health care system.”

Today, nurses work in a wide range of specialities and settings, from school nurses to highly specialized oncology nurses who assist in life-saving treatment decisions. Nurses develop a wide range of skills and becoming a nurse requires years of study and extreme focus and dedication. This versatile career is a crucial link between patients and doctors in our community.

National Nurses Month honors nurse’s contributions and sacrifices and reminds us to thank the medical professionals who keep us all healthy.

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