[Declaring May 12, 2005 as "Nurses Day"]

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Supervisor Ammiano, Elsbernd, Sandoval BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Resolution declaring May 12, 2005 as "Nurses Day" in the City and County of San Francisco.

WHEREAS, The rights and benefits that nurses enjoy today were built on 50 years of collective struggle; and

WHEREAS, Alone, no single nurse could have ever made thee gains for nursing; and WHEREAS, The California Nurses Association which was founded in 1903 in San Francisco was the first organization in California to represent nurses, and

WHEREAS, The CAN, with over 60,000 members, represents the largest number of registered nurses; and

WHEREAS, The California Nurses Association, with 60,000 members represents the largest number of registered nurses organized in San Francisco and California and,

WHEREAS, Registered nurses comprise the single largest health care profession, and WHEREAS, Professional nursing is an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of patient care in every healthcare setting, and

WHEREAS, Registered nurses are often the last line of defense for patient safety in a medical industry that increasingly places economic priorities above the quality of care; and

WHEREAS, The registered nurses of the California Nurses Association have assumed the role as advocate for all patients in San Francisco and California, and

WHEREAS, CNA provides a powerful, effective, collective voice for registered nurses; and

WHEREAS, CNA registered nurses fought for ten years to achieve the nation's first Nurse-to-Patient ratios in all hospital units, and

WHEREAS, CNA members inspired a broad movement of working People, including teachers, firefighters, police officers and students to oppose efforts by Governor Schwarzenegger and his corporate allies to undermine the working conditions an benefits of public employees; and

WHEREAS, The safe, quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of our health care delivery system in the future, and

WHEREAS, Nurses working in all sectors of healthcare recognize May 12, 2005, Florence Nightingale's Birthday, as "Nurses Day," a celebration of the ways in which registered nurses of the California Nurses Association and all nurses working throughout our healthcare system provide safe, high quality patient care and patient services, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby declare May 12, 2005 as "Nurses Day" in the City and County of San Francisco; and be it

FURTHER RESOVLED, That the Board of Supervisors urges all San Franciscans join us in honoring the registered nurses of the California Nurses Association and all registered nurses who care for all of us, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That all San Franciscans celebrate and recognize the California Nurses Association and their contributions to improving our health and safety and that we show our appreciation for all of this state's registered nurses not just during this week, but at every opportunity and throughout the years to come.



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## Resolution

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Resolution declar	ing May 12, 20	5 as "Nurses Day" in the City and County of San Francisco.
May 17, 200	Ayes: 11 - A	pervisors — ADOPTED lioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Elsbernd, Ma, Maxwell, Mirkarimi, Peskin, Sandoval
	File No. 0508	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 17, 2005 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.
		Gloria L. Young Glerk of the Board

**Date Approved**