

## PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

## Proclaiming the Week of May 6 – 12, 2008 "National Nurses Week – Nurses: Making A Difference Every Day" in El Dorado County

Whereas, The nearly 2.9 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession, with the depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meeting the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and,

Whereas, The American Nurses Association, as the voice for the registered nurses of this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventive health care. A renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will require the better utilization of all of our nation's registered nursing resources; and,

Whereas, Professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and,

Whereas, The demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technology, and the explosive growth of home health care services. More qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in this community; and,

Whereas, The cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care delivery system in the future, and

Now, Therefore Be It Proclaimed, that along with the American Nurses Association, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the week of May 6 – 12, 2008, as NATIONAL NURSES WEEK with the theme "Nurses: Making a Difference Every Day" in celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and map out the way to improve our health care system and in recognition of registered nursing's accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system

**Passed and adopted** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 29th day of April, 2008.

Attest: Cindy Keck Clerk of the Board of Supervisors by

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Chairman, Board of Supervisors