

Proclamation

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK 2024

WHEREAS, Florence Nightingale, born in 1820, is known as the founder of modern nursing; and

WHEREAS, Clara Barton, a nurse who earned the nickname "angel in the battlefield" during the Civil War, went on to create the American Red Cross in 1881; and

WHEREAS, today, there are more than 3.9 million professionally active RNs and licensed practical nurses in the United States; and

WHEREAS, nursing is the nation's largest health care profession and one of the largest workforces in the United States; and

WHEREAS, nearly 20% of all registered nurses in the United States hold a master's degree; and

WHEREAS, there are over 160,000 registered and licensed practical nurses in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the first National Nurses Week in the U.S. was held Oct. 11-16, 1954, in observance of the 100th anniversary of Florence Nightingale's mission to Crimea; and

WHEREAS, National Nurses Week was designated by the White House and President Nixon in 1974, and has been recognized each year from May 6 to May 12; and

WHEREAS, nurses are on the frontlines of a world pandemic and face unprecedented times; and

WHEREAS, nurses are considered the most trustworthy of all professions in the United States.

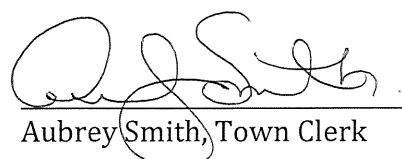
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brittany H. Barnhardt, Mayor of the Town of Granite Quarry, on behalf of the Board of Aldermen and the citizens of Granite Quarry do hereby proclaim May 6 to May 12, 2024 as **Nurses Week in Granite Quarry** and commend this observance to our citizens.

ADOPTED this 8th day of April 2024.




Brittany H. Barnhardt, Mayor

ATTEST:


Aubrey Smith, Town Clerk