

## Senate Resolution 659

By: Senators Brass of the 28th, Walker III of the 20th, Goodman of the 8th, Watson of the 11th, Tillery of the 19th and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing March 7, 2024, as Nurses Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the more than 170,000 registered nurses in Georgia represent the state's largest  
3 health care profession and are vital to the medical well-being of our citizens; and
- 4 WHEREAS, professional nursing has proven to be an indispensable component of the safe,  
5 high quality care of hospitalized patients; and
- 6 WHEREAS, professional nurses are also vital to the outpatient care of patients, and the  
7 renewed emphasis on access to primary and preventative care in recent years will require  
8 better utilization of our state's registered nursing resources; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the aging of the American population, further reduction of health care options  
10 in rural settings, and growth of home health care services have led to a greater than ever  
11 demand for registered nursing services, and more qualified registered nurses will be needed  
12 in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in Georgia;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, the Georgia Nurses Association supports and advocates for the many ways in  
15 which registered nurses of all levels of education and training strive to provide safe and high  
16 quality patient care and maps out ways to improve our health care system.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
18 recognize March 7, 2024, as Nurses Day at the state capitol and commend the men and  
19 women of our nursing workforce for their strength, leadership, and courage in their  
20 willingness to find meaning in something greater than themselves.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
22 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the  
23 press.