

EFFECTIVE DATE: *April 27, 2022*

**PROCLAMATION OF THE EL PASO COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH RECOGNIZING NATIONAL NURSES WEEK 2022**

**WHEREAS**, National Nurses Week is celebrated each year between May 6, National Nurses Day, and May 12, the birthday of celebrated nurse Florence Nightingale; and,

**WHEREAS**, National Nurses Week honors the contributions and sacrifices of nurses and serves as a reminder to thank the medical professionals who keep individuals and communities healthy; and

**WHEREAS**, Nurses are extraordinary individuals who display courage, care, dedication and commitment in caring for others; and

**WHEREAS**, The American Public Health Association defines public health nursing as the practice of promoting and protecting the health of populations using knowledge from nursing, social, and public health sciences; and

**WHEREAS**, Public health nurses work to promote wellness and help prevent disease and reduce health risks at the population level through evidence-based care and education; and

**WHEREAS**, Public health nurses serve in many critical roles, and El Paso County Public Health nurses serve individuals and families across numerous programs and services including Nurse-Family Partnership, Immunizations and Travel, Tuberculosis, Disease Prevention, Reproductive Health, and much more; and

**WHEREAS**, The knowledge and skills of public health nurses enable them to make significant contributions to public health through a unique combination of clinical nursing background with knowledge from the public health and social sciences; and

**WHEREAS**, It is more important than ever to celebrate nurses across all fields for their unwavering care and dedication for their patients and communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EL PASO COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH:**

1. The week of May 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, is proclaimed as "*National Nurses Week*" in El Paso County, Colorado.

MOVED, SECONDED AND ADOPTED BY THE EL PASO COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH AT ITS MEETING HELD ON APRIL 27, 2022 IN COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO.

**EL PASO COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

BY: *Jacqui Winterbach*  
President

ATTEST: *Susan Wheelan*  
Secretary