



**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup>  
AS NURSES WEEK**

**STATE OF TEXAS** §  
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**COUNTY OF HAYS** §

**WHEREAS**, nurses in the United States constitute our nation’s largest health care profession; and

**WHEREAS**, the depth and breadth of the nursing profession meets the different and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings, including the frontline of the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Nurses Association, celebrating its 130 anniversary as the voice for nurses in this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing access to primary and preventive health care, and better utilization of all our nation’s nursing resources; and

**WHEREAS**, professional nursing is an indispensable component of the safety and quality of care of hospitalized and non-hospitalized patients; and

**WHEREAS**, the demand for nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population, emerging health challenges, the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technologies, and the explosive growth of home health care services; and

**WHEREAS**, more qualified nurses are needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in this community; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost-effective, safe, and high-quality health care services provided by nurses will be an increasingly important component of the United States health care delivery system in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, along with the American Nurses Association, the Hays County Health Department recognizes May 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> as Nurses Week, with the theme “The Power of Nurses,” with appreciation for nurses’ unparalleled impact and their contributions to health care, and extend an open invitation to celebrate #ThePowerOfNurses who enrich our lives and the world we live in.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Hays County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim May 6-12 as Nurses week, and encourage that the residents of Hays County celebrate nurses’ accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system and show our appreciation for the nation’s nurses not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

**ADOPTED THIS THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2026**

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**Ruben Becerra**  
Hays County Judge

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**Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe**  
Commissioner, Pct. 1

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**Dr. Michelle Cohen**  
Commissioner, Pct. 2

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**Morgan Hammer**  
Commissioner, Pct. 3

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**Walt Smith**  
Commissioner, Pct. 4

**ATTEST:**

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**Elaine H. Cárdenas, MBA, PhD**  
Hays County Clerk