

PROCLAMATION

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, National Nurses Week is May 6-12, 2025 and National Hospital Week is May 11-17, 2025, and the theme for this year is, “We Are Health Care,”; and

WHEREAS, National Hospital Week is a time of year to reflect on the important contributions that hospitals make to provide safe, high-quality health care to the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, approximately 6,120 hospitals in the United States provided essential and life-saving health care every day in a variety of hospital settings; and

WHEREAS, hospitals across America in 2024 employed more than 5,486,000 individuals, including physicians, registered nurses, and allied health professionals, with 45 percent of individuals employed by hospitals serving in non-clinical roles, including sanitation workers, food service workers, and many others who work to keep hospitals open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in order to ensure hospitals are always available to individuals that need health care; and

WHEREAS, hospitals, through direct care and community outreach, can provide the expertise and resources needed to address the unique health care needs that exist in rural and urban areas of the United States, and work collaboratively to uphold the health care system of the United States;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in us do hereby proclaim that **May 6-12, 2025** and **May 11-17, 2025** be known as

“NATIONAL NURSES WEEK”

AND

“NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK”

respectively, in Marion County, Florida, and encourage all residents to express their appreciation for the people, facilities, and technologies that make trustworthy, reliable health care possible in our community.

DULY PROCLAIMED this 6th day of **May 2025**.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA**

KATHY BRYANT, CHAIRMAN

CARL ZALAK, III, VICE CHAIR

MICHELLE STONE, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

CRAIG CURRY, COMMISSIONER

GREGORY C. HARRELL, CLERK

MATT MCCLAIN, COMMISSIONER