

# Oklahoma Board of Corrections

# Resolution

**WHEREAS**, The Department of Corrections employs 189 professional nurses across the state who work diligently, 365 days per year to provide nursing services to our offenders, and

**WHEREAS**, These dedicated staff are called on to provide nursing care to an underserved and challenging population, and respond to that vocation unselfishly, and

**WHEREAS**, The quality services provided by nurses continue to be a critical component of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections health care delivery system both now and in the future, and

**WHEREAS**, National Nurses Week is celebrated annually from May 6, also known as National Nurses Day, through May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing. This year's theme "**Nurses: Making a Difference Every Day**" is in celebration of the importance of nurses in the lives of all U.S. citizens:

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the Oklahoma Board of Corrections, request that all Oklahomans join us in honoring the strength, commitment, and compassion of the nursing staff of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we, the Oklahoma Board of Corrections, affirm our appreciation for the accomplishments and efforts of our professional nursing staff to improve the lives and health of the offenders under their care.

**ADOPTED** this 9th day of April 2008.

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David C. Henneke, Chair

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Earnest Ware, Vice Chair

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Ted Logan, Secretary

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