
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of September 9 through 15, 2018, as
2 "Nephrology Nurses Week" and asking all residents of this
3 Commonwealth to join in honoring the nephrology nurses who
4 care for patients with kidney disease.

5 WHEREAS, Nearly 30 million Americans suffer from kidney
6 disease and every year many Pennsylvania residents, including
7 children, adults and elderly individuals, are diagnosed with
8 kidney disease; and

9 WHEREAS, The depth and breadth of the nephrology nursing
10 profession meet the different and emerging kidney disease needs
11 as well as other health care needs of the population of this
12 Commonwealth; and

13 WHEREAS, The American Nephrology Nurses Association is
14 working to advance quality care for Americans with kidney
15 disease before they suffer complete organ failure, increase
16 awareness in local communities, positively influence patient

1 outcomes and keep nephrology nurses abreast of the latest
2 treatments and kidney-related research; and

3 WHEREAS, Nephrology nurses function as educators, direct
4 caregivers and coordinators to help patients manage their lives
5 while effectively dealing with health issues; and

6 WHEREAS, The number of new patients diagnosed with kidney
7 disease doubled through the 1980s and 1990s; and

8 WHEREAS, More qualified nephrology nurses are needed to meet
9 the increasingly complex needs of patients who are experiencing
10 or are at risk for kidney disease; and

11 WHEREAS, Along with the American Nephrology Nurses
12 Association, the ANNA Keystone Chapter has declared the week of
13 September 9 through 15, 2018, as "Nephrology Nurses Week" to
14 celebrate and honor the unselfish work nephrology nurses perform
15 each day to maintain the health of thousands of individuals with
16 kidney disease; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
18 week of September 9 through 15, 2018, as "Nephrology Nurses
19 Week" and ask all residents of this Commonwealth to join in
20 honoring the nephrology nurses who care for patients with kidney
21 disease; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the residents of this Commonwealth celebrate
23 nephrology nurses' efforts to advance patient care and reduce
24 the incidence of kidney disease and show appreciation for
25 nephrology nurses not just during this week but at every
26 opportunity throughout the year.