



# Proclamation

By the Mayor of Prattville, Alabama

*WHEREAS, the nearly 3.1 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and*

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

*WHEREAS, the American Nurses Association, as the voice for the registered nurses of this country, is working to chart a new course for a healthy nation that relies on increasing delivery of primary and preventive health care; and*

*WHEREAS, a renewed emphasis on primary and preventive health care will require the better utilization of all of our nation's registered nursing resources; and*

*WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and*

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

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

*WHEREAS, the cost-effective, safe, and quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care delivery system in the future.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Gillespie, Jr., Mayor of the City of Prattville do hereby proclaim the week of May 6 through 12, 2014*

## NURSES WEEK

*in Prattville, Alabama.*

*Given Under My Hand and the Seal of the City of Prattville on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014.*

*Bill Gillespie Jr.*

Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr.

