

Legislation Text

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To Recognize and Celebrate May 8th, 2019, as 'National School Nurse Day'

WHEREAS, since 1972, 'National School Nurse Day' has been recognized to foster a better understanding of the role of school nurses in the educational setting; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of School Nurses has set aside May 8, 2019, as 'National School Nurse Day' to celebrate all that school nurses do to improve the health, safety, and overall success of students, schools, and communities; and

WHEREAS, school nurses improve attendance at schools by providing care and guidance for students on overall positive health and wellbeing as well as disease prevention and management; and

WHEREAS, by improving the attendance and health of students, school nurses help improve academic performance and reduce drop-out rates by ensuring students are ready to learn throughout their day at school; and

WHEREAS, in addition to their work with students, school nurses support the overall mission and success of schools by alleviating the work load of principals, teachers, and other staff by focusing on student health and wellness issues, promoting the health and wellness of other staff members, and ensuring compliance with state and federal health laws; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are a vital component of the success of students and schools, and their impact is felt beyond the classroom as they act as a liaison to parents and health care providers as they promote wellness and improved health outcomes for the entire community; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby recognize and celebrate May 8th, 2019, as 'National School Nurse Day.'