

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 12

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes March 17, 2026, as Nurse Practitioner Day at the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize March 17, 2026, as Nurse Practitioner Day at the state capitol.

3 WHEREAS, nurse practitioners serve as trusted healthcare providers and play a
4 critical role in delivering care to patients across this state; and

5 WHEREAS, nurse practitioners work to expand access in communities across this
6 state, promote equity in health care, and improve health outcomes for all; and

7 WHEREAS, patients across the United States rely on more than four hundred thirty
8 thousand licensed nurse practitioners, including more than six thousand practicing in
9 Louisiana, to diagnose, manage, and treat acute and chronic health conditions; and

10 WHEREAS, nurse practitioners provide high-quality primary, acute, and specialty
11 healthcare services while emphasizing health promotion, disease prevention, health
12 education, and counseling, thereby guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle
13 choices every day; and

14 WHEREAS, the confidence patients place in nurse practitioners is demonstrated by
15 the more than one billion patient visits made annually to nurse practitioners across the
16 United States; and

17 WHEREAS, more than five decades of research have demonstrated the high quality
18 of care provided by nurse practitioners; and

19 WHEREAS, modernized state laws and policies that enable the full utilization of
20 nurse practitioners improve health outcomes and support a more accessible, efficient,
21 cost-effective, and high-quality healthcare system; and

1 WHEREAS, more than half the nation, including twenty-seven states, the District of
2 Columbia, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands, has adopted full practice authority
3 legislation, offering patients full and direct access to the outstanding care provided by nurse
4 practitioners; and

5 WHEREAS, leading governmental and policy entities, including the National
6 Academy of Medicine, National Council of State Boards of Nursing, National Governors
7 Association, and Federal Trade Commission, have taken notice of the benefits of providing
8 patients full and direct access to health care delivered by nurse practitioners; and

9 WHEREAS, nurse practitioners serve as the provider of choice for many Louisiana
10 residents and play a pivotal role in the health and welfare of our communities.

11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
12 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Tuesday, March 17, 2026, as Nurse
13 Practitioner Day at the state capitol and does hereby proudly recognize and honor the service
14 of nurse practitioners in this state.

DIGEST

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Designates March 17, 2026, as Nurse Practitioner Day at the state capitol.