

# City of Michigan City

Indiana



## Proclamation

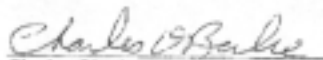
- WHEREAS: The nearly 2.7 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and
- WHEREAS: The depth and breadth of the registered nursing profession meets the different and changing health care needs of the American population in a wide range of settings; and
- WHEREAS: The American Nurses Association, as the voice for the registered nurse 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: That 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 service provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of the U.S. health care delivery system in the future; and
- WHEREAS: Along with the American Nurses Association, the Indiana Organization of Nurse Executives has declared the week of May 6-12 as National Nurses Week with the theme "Nurses: Your Voice, Your Health, Your Life" in celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and map out the way to improve our health care system.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Charles Oberlie, declare the week of May 6-12 as:

### NURSES WEEK

In Michigan City, Indiana, and call upon the citizens of Michigan City to join me in honoring the registered nurses who care for all of us, and be it further that the residents of Michigan City celebrate registered nursing's accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system and show our appreciation for the nation's registered nurses not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

DATED THIS 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2004.



Charles Oberlie, Mayor  
City of Michigan City

ATTEST:

  
Thomas F. Fedder, City Clerk

