Senate Resolution 312
By: Senators Brass of the 28th, Harbison of the 15th, Beach of the 21st, Halpern of the 39th, Watson of the 11th and others

## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing March 16, 2023, as Nurses Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the more than 170,000 registered nurses in Georgia represent the state's largest health care profession and are vital to the medical well-being of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, professional nursing has proven to be an indispensable component of the safe, high quality care of hospitalized patients; and

WHEREAS, professional nurses are also vital to the outpatient care of patients, and the renewed emphasis on access to primary and preventative care in recent years will require better utilization of our state's registered nursing resources; and

WHEREAS, the aging of the American population, further reduction of health care options in rural settings, and growth of home health care services have led to a greater than ever demand for registered nursing services, and more qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in Georgia; and
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WHEREAS, the Georgia Nurses Association supports and advocates for the many ways in which registered nurses of all levels of education and training strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and maps out ways to improve our health care system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body recognize March 16, 2023, as Nurses Day at the state capitol and commend the men and women of our nursing workforce for their strength, leadership, and courage in their willingness to find meaning in something greater than themselves.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the press.
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