CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

National School Nurse Day
May 8, 2019

Whereas, Students are the future and, by investing in them today, we are ensuring our world for tomorrow; and
Whereas, Families deserve to feel confident that their children will be cared for when they are at school; and
Whereas, All students have a right to have their physical and mental health needs safely met while in the school setting; and
Whereas, School nurses have served a critical role in improving public health and in ensuring student’s academic success for more than 100 years; and
Whereas, School nurses are professional nurses that advance the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievements of all students by serving on the frontlines and providing a critical safety net for our nation’s most fragile children; and
Whereas, School nurses act as a liaison to the school community, families, and healthcare providers on behalf of children’s health by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for our nation’s children; and
Whereas, School nurses support the health and educational success of children and youth by providing access to care when children’s cognitive development is at its peak; and
Whereas, School nurses are members of school-based teams (e.g. school health services, 504/IEP, disaster/emergency planning) to address the school population; and
Whereas, School nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day, so

NOW, THEREFORE,

I, David Narkewicz, Mayor of the City of Northampton, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, May 8th, 2019, as National School Nurse Day and commend its observance to all citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Northampton on this 8th Day of May, 2019.

Mayor David J. Narkewicz