

Proclamation



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

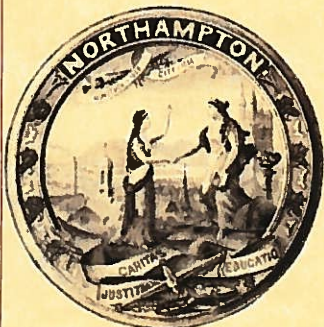
National School Nurse Day May 8, 2019

- 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