

Nurse Practitioner Week

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) are advanced practice registered nurses who have master's and often doctorate degrees, as well as extensive clinical training in the diagnosis and management of common and complex medical conditions; and

WHEREAS, NPs provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty care services while focusing on health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, as well as guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices every day; and

WHEREAS, NPs work to expand access to care in underserved communities and reduce health care disparities; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 355,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States, and more than 15,000 licensed NPs in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the confidence that patients have in NP-delivered health care is evidenced by the more than one billion visits made annually to nurse practitioners across the country;

WHEREAS, more than five decades of research demonstrates the high quality of care provided by NPs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard Conner as Mayor of the Town of Appomattox, do hereby recognize November 10-16, 2024, as **NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK** and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

Clerk

Mayor