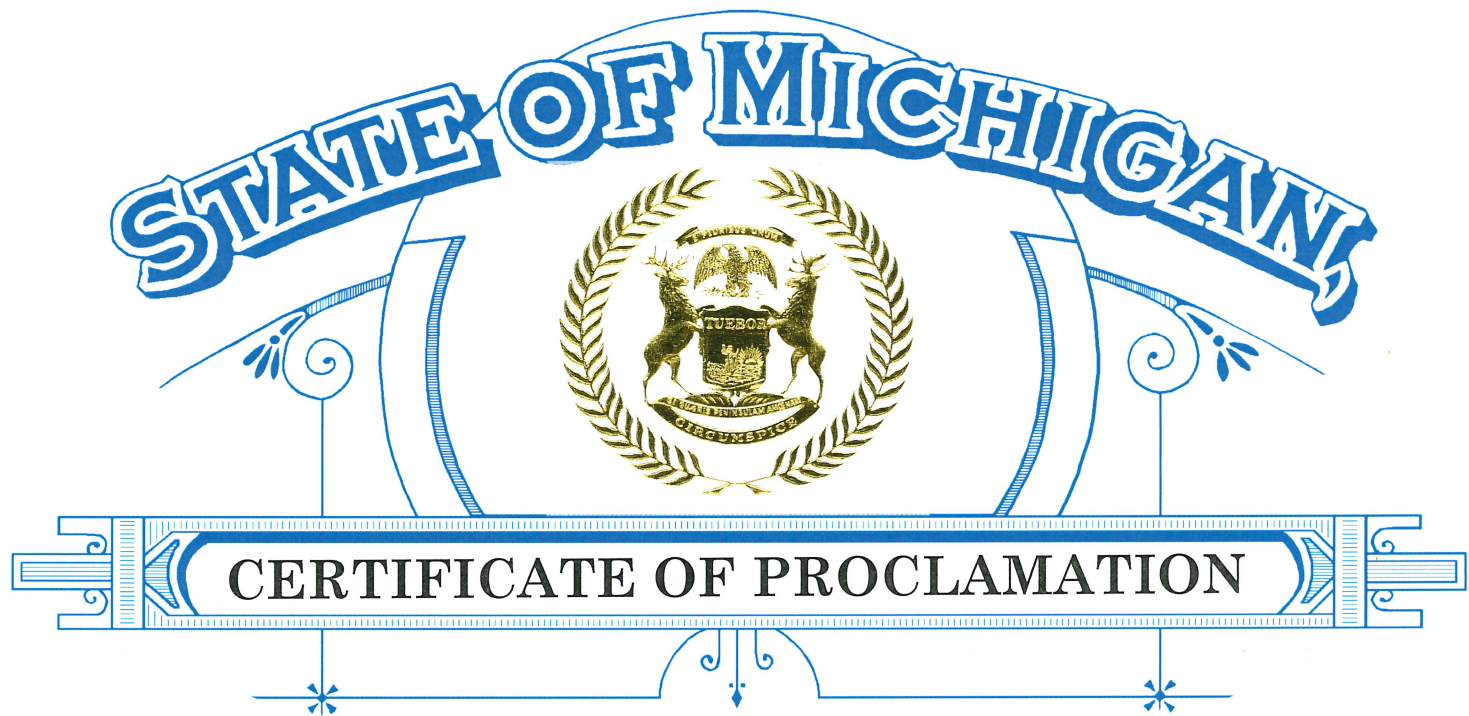




ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN,
I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

May 10, 2023
as
SCHOOL NURSE DAY

WHEREAS, students are the future leaders of our state, and parents or guardians deserve to feel confident that their children will be cared for at school; and,

WHEREAS, all students have a right to have their physical and mental health needs met while at school; and,

WHEREAS, students today may face complex and life-threatening health problems that require care in school; and,

WHEREAS, school nurses have played a critical role in improving public health and ensuring student success for over 100 years; and,

WHEREAS, school nurses are aware of the home and community factors that impact students' health; and,

WHEREAS, school nurses act as a bridge between the school, families, and health care providers on behalf of children's health by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes; and,

WHEREAS, school nurses support the health and educational success of children by providing accessible care when children's cognitive development is at its peak; and,

WHEREAS, school nurses are members of the school health teams, which include school health services, MTSS/504/IEP plans, mental health support services, and disaster or emergency planning, to address the school population; and,

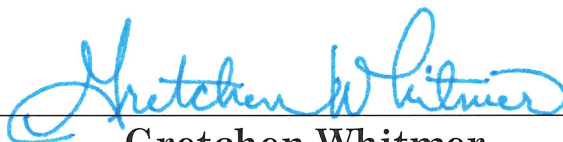
WHEREAS, school nurses understand the link between health and learning, making a positive difference for children every day; and,

WHEREAS, by recognizing school nurses and their important contributions to our school communities, there is greater hope that more people consider a career in school nursing to help address the shortage of these caring and compassionate individuals working in Michigan schools; and,

WHEREAS, on this day, we recognize school nurses across Michigan and their efforts to meet the needs of today's students by improving the delivery of healthcare in our schools, contributing to communities by helping students stay healthy, and ensuring parents and guardians can know their children are safe and cared for;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim May 10, 2023, as School Nurses Day in Michigan.




Gretchen Whitmer
Governor

