

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the American Nurses Association has declared May 6-12, 2009, as National Nurses Week to celebrate the nation's 2.9 million registered nurses – more than 6,000 of them employed in Fairfax County – and has established *Nurses: Building a Healthy America* as the national theme to reflect the commitment nurses make every day for their patients, their communities, and their country; and

**WHEREAS**, for the last seven years, nurses have been rated among the most trusted professionals in America; and

**WHEREAS**, registered nurses may take on innovative roles in the future, in both primary and preventive care, to foster a healthier Fairfax County, Virginia and country; and

**WHEREAS**, the need for registered nurses will be greater than ever before because of the expanding need for health care services, increased longevity of people and more nurses who are nearing retirement; **NOW THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of all residents of Fairfax County, does hereby proclaim May 6 – 12, 2009, as

## Nurses Week

in Fairfax County, to raise awareness of nursing and its impact in our community, and urges all residents to recognize the vital role nurses play in our health care system.

**Sharon Bulova, Chairman**  
**Fairfax County Board of Supervisors**

*May 4, 2009*

