

June 28, 2023

The Honorable Mike Lawler 1013 Longworth House Office Building United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Elizabeth Warren 309 Hart Senate Office Building United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Congressman Lawler and Senator Warren:

On behalf of the 60 undersigned organizations representing the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), we thank you for introducing H.R. 3428/S.1633, the United States Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act of 2023. The NCC is a cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the nursing profession, representing Registered Nurses (RNs), Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs),<sup>1</sup> nurse leaders, boards of nursing, students, faculty, and researchers. Together, we support this bipartisan and bicameral effort to honor those who served in the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps and encourage Congress to pass this important legislation.

From 1943 to 1948, nearly 120,000 nurses answered the call by honorably caring for servicemen and women during World War II. These nurses helped shape the foundation of the profession and should be recognized for their invaluable service. The NCC commends your commitment and efforts to honor these heroic women. As we commemorate their legacy, it is imperative that this legislation is passed and the dedication of those who served in the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps is acknowledged.

Again, the NCC appreciates you introducing H.R. 3428/S.1633, the United States Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act of 2023. We look forward to working with you and the bipartisan champions of this bill to move it forward. If our organizations can be of any assistance, or if you have any questions, please contact the Nursing Community Coalition's Executive Director, Rachel Stevenson, at <a href="mailto:rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org">rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org</a>.

Sincerely,

Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses
Academy of Neonatal Nursing
American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing
American Academy of Nursing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> APRNs include certified nurse-midwives (CNMs), certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNAs), clinical nurse specialists (CNSs) and nurse practitioners (NPs).

American Association of Colleges of Nursing

American Association of Critical-Care Nurses

American Association of Heart Failure Nurses

American Association of Neuroscience Nurses

American Association of Nurse Anesthesiology

American Association of Nurse Practitioners

American Association of Post-Acute Care Nursing

American College of Nurse-Midwives

American Nephrology Nurses Association

American Nurses Association

**American Nursing Informatics Association** 

American Organization for Nursing Leadership

American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association, Inc.

American Public Health Association, Public Health Nursing Section

American Psychiatric Nurses Association

American Society for Pain Management Nursing

American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses

Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing

Association of Community Health Nursing Educators

Association of Nurses in AIDS Care

Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses

Association of periOperative Registered Nurses

Association of Public Health Nurses

Association of Rehabilitation Nurses

Association of Veterans Affairs Nurse Anesthetists

Commissioned Officers Association of the U.S. Public Health Service

**Dermatology Nurses' Association** 

**Emergency Nurses Association** 

Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research

Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurses Association

Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association

**Infusion Nurses Society** 

International Association of Forensic Nurses

International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses

National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists

National Association of Hispanic Nurses

National Association of Neonatal Nurse Practitioners

National Association of Neonatal Nurses

National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health

National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners

National Association of School Nurses

National Black Nurses Association

National Council of State Boards of Nursing

National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers

National Hartford Center of Gerontological Nursing Excellence

National League for Nursing

National Nurse-Led Care Consortium

National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties

Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs

Oncology Nursing Society

Organization for Associate Degree Nursing

Pediatric Endocrinology Nursing Society

Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association

Society of Pediatric Nurses

Society of Urologic Nurses and Associates

Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nurses Society

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Senator Kevin Cramer Senator Robert Casey, Jr. Senator John Boozman Senator Chris Van Hollen