

*Office of the Mayor*  
*City of Fayetteville*  
**Proclamation**



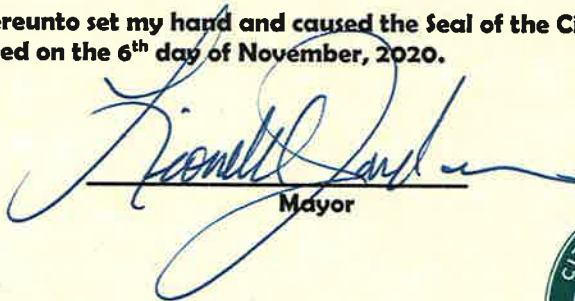
- WHEREAS:** nurse practitioners (NPs) serve as trusted frontline health care providers for patients in our state, and
- WHEREAS:** NPs are working tirelessly to diagnose and treat patients with COVID-19 and to combat community spread nationwide, while grieving NP colleagues who have lost their lives during the pandemic, and
- WHEREAS:** NPs work to expand access to care in underserved communities, end health disparities and combat systemic racism in health care, and
- WHEREAS:** NPs provide high-quality primary, acute and specialty care services while focusing on health promotion, disease prevention, health education and counseling, guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices every day, and
- WHEREAS:** NPs are highly skilled practitioners with advanced education and clinical training building upon their initial registered nurse preparation, and
- WHEREAS:** there are more than 290,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States, providing primary, acute and specialty care to patients of all ages and walks of life, and
- WHEREAS:** in addition to diagnosing and treating acute and chronic conditions, nurse practitioners focus on health promotion, disease prevention and health education and counseling, guiding patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices, and
- WHEREAS:** better utilization of nurse practitioners through modernized state laws and improved system policies creates better health through a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher quality health care system, and
- WHEREAS:** leading governmental and policy entities including the National Academy of Medicine, National Council of State Boards of Nursing, National Governors Association and Federal Trade Commission have taken notice of the benefits of nurse practitioner Full Practice Authority and have endorsed such a regulatory model, and
- WHEREAS:** Fayetteville, Arkansas is proud to recognize and honor the service of nurse practitioners to our state.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim November 8-14, 2020 as**


**“National Nurse Practitioner Week”**

**in Fayetteville, Arkansas and in recognition of the countless contributions NPs have made over the past half century and will continue to make to the health and well-being of citizens in our state.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.**

  
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Mayor

**Attest:**

  
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City Clerk

