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The Honorable Lisa Blunt Rochester
United States Senate
513 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Young Kim
United States House of Representatives
2439 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator Blunt Rochester and Congresswoman Kim:

On behalf of the 42 undersigned organizations representing the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), we would like to thank you for introducing the National Nursing Workforce Center Act of 2025 (H.R.4407/S.1482). 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),¹ nurse leaders, students, faculty, and researchers. Together, we support investment in the ongoing work of our state nursing workforce centers.

Supporting our current and future nursing workforce is imperative. To do that, we not only need to bolster existing Nursing Workforce Development programs, but also better understand the needs of the profession. Nursing workforce centers help fill those gaps. In fact, 46 nursing workforce centers advance the profession through a data driven approach throughout the country.² These centers conduct local research, publish reports on nursing supply, demand, and education, share best practices and develop targeted programs.³ However, not every state has a center and those centers that exist do not always have the funding essential for their work. That is why the National Nursing Workforce Center Act is an important step forward as we look to gather additional data on the needs within the nursing workforce and of health care throughout the nation.

As we continue to support our nursing workforce, bills like the National Nursing Workforce Center Act of 2025 are significant to understanding the needs of the profession and the communities they serve. If the

¹ APRNs include certified nurse-midwives (CNMs), certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNAs), clinical nurse specialists (CNSs) and nurse practitioners (NPs).

² National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers (2026) Nursing Workforce Centers Locations. Retrieved from: <https://nursingworkforcecenters.org/location-map/>

³ The Impact of Nursing Workforce Centers on State Nursing Workforce Strategy (2025) Retrieved from: <https://nursingworkforcecenters.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/2025-Impact-of-Nursing-Workforce-Centers.pdf>

NCC can be of any assistance to you or your staff, please do not hesitate to contact the Coalition's Executive Director, Rachel Minahan, at rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org.

Sincerely,

Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses
Academy of Neonatal Nursing
Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments
American Academy of Nursing
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 Occupational Health Nurses
American Association of Post-Acute Care Nursing
American Nephrology Nurses Association
American Nurses Association
American Organization for Nursing Leadership
American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association
American Psychiatric Nurses Association
American Public Health Association, Public Health Nursing Section
American Society for Pain Management Nursing
Association of Community Health Nursing Educators
Association of Nurses in AIDS Care
Association of periOperative Registered Nurses
Association of Public Health Nurses
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
International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses
National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health
National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners
National Association of School Nurses
National Council of State Boards of Nursing
National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers
National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties
NurseTRUST
Oncology Nursing Society
Organization for Associate Degree Nursing
Society of Pediatric Nurses
Society of Urologic Nurses and Associates
Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nurses Society