WHEREAS, school nurses are invaluable members of the educational team and experienced professionals; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are responsible for monitoring the overall well-being of each child and recognizing their health and safety needs that are crucial to their growth, development, and their educational success; and

WHEREAS, school nurses help children to meet their individual healthcare needs through assessments, delivery of intervention services, provision of emergency care, and by appropriately managing acute and chronic illnesses; and

WHEREAS, school nurses conduct health screenings, health education, prevention programs, environmental health and safety promotion, health counseling, and reviews and complies with state immunization requirements; and

WHEREAS, school nurses are dedicated healthcare professionals working in collaboration with school personnel, families, and communities to establish a plan of action to ensure optimal health, academic success, and life-long achievements; and

WHEREAS, school nurses' efforts are worthy of recognition and praise for their compassion, dedicated service, and professional expertise in their contributions to the health of our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim May 6, 2015, as

SCHOOL NURSE DAY
in the State of Louisiana.