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3 By Senators Singleton, McClendon and Waggoner
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8 RECOGNIZING NATIONAL SCHOOL NURSE DAY ON MAY 12,
9 2021.

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11 WHEREAS, students are the future, and by investing
12 in them today, we are ensuring our world for tomorrow; and
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14 WHEREAS, families deserve to feel confident that
15 their children will be cared for when they are at school; and
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17 WHEREAS, all students have a right to have their
18 physical and mental health needs safely met while in the
19 school setting; and
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21 WHEREAS, students today face more complex and
22 life-threatening health problems that require care in school;
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25 WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has emphasized the
26 essential role that school nurses play in student health and
academic success; and
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28 WHEREAS, school nurses have served a critical role
29 in improving public health and in ensuring students' academic
30 success for more than 100 years; and
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1 WHEREAS, school nurses address the home and
2 community factors, such as social determinants, that impact
3 students' health; and

4 WHEREAS, school nurses act as a liaison to the
5 school community, families, and health care providers on
6 behalf of children's health by promoting wellness and
7 improving health outcomes for our nation's children; and

8 WHEREAS, school nurses support the health and
9 educational success of children and youth by providing access
10 to care when children's cognitive development is at its peak;
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12 WHEREAS, school nurses are members of school-based
13 teams, namely school health services, 504/IEP, and
14 disaster/emergency planning, to address the school population;
15 school nurses understand the link between health and learning
16 and are in a position to make a positive difference for
17 children every day; now therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
19 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we recognize May 12, 2021, as
20 National School Nurse Day, and we celebrate and acknowledge
21 the accomplishments of school nurses everywhere and their
22 efforts of meeting the needs of today's students by improving
23 the delivery of health care in our schools; furthermore, we
24 offer our gratitude for the nation's school nurses, who
25 contribute to our local communities by helping students stay
26 healthy in school and ready to learn, and keeping parents and

1 guardians at work, not just on this National School Nurse Day,
2 but at every opportunity throughout the year.