



November 15, 2024

The Honorable Jon Tester  
Chairman  
Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jerry Moran  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mike Bost  
Chairman  
House Committee on Veterans' Affairs  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mark Takano  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Veterans' Affairs  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Tester, Chairman Bost, Ranking Member Moran, and Ranking Member Takano:

On behalf of the 63 undersigned organizations representing the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), we urge you to include and pass H.R.3428/S.1633, the United States Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act of 2023 in any legislative package honoring our nation's veterans. 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 before the end of this year.

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.

The NCC urges the passage of H.R. 3428/S.1633, the United States Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act of 2023 this year as we honor these servicewomen for their dedication to our country. We look forward to working with you to move this vital bill 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 Minahan, at [rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org](mailto:rstevenson@thenursingcommunity.org).

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

Sincerely,

Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses  
Academy of Neonatal Nursing  
Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments  
American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing  
American Academy of Emergency Nurse Practitioners  
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 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

cc:

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House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries  
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