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Mr. Ken Robinson
President
Hospital Employees' Union
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Dear Mr. Robinson:

I am writing to extend personal greetings and convey my best wishes as you celebrate National Nursing Week, May 9-15, 2011.

Nursing Week is a time to pause, reflect, recognize and honor the tireless efforts and crucial role British Columbia's nurses have in the health and well being of British Columbians. I congratulate nurses on the highest quality of patient care they provide every day, and I wish nurses every success in their ongoing contributions to patient care and the nursing profession.

BC is fortunate in having a cadre of dedicated, skilled, capable nurses who make significant contributions to patient care every day. I applaud the incredible achievements of nurses in every area of practice, and look forward to continued work with nurses across the province as they lead and work collaboratively to find new ways to improve patient care.

Please convey my personal greetings to nurses in the Hospital Employees' Union for a successful Nursing Week celebration.

Sincerely,

Graham Whitmarsh
Deputy Minister

Attachment

pc: Mr. John Bethel, Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Sheila Taylor, Assistant Deputy Minister, Medical Services and Health Human
Resources Division