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Dear Emergency Nurse:

It is Emergency Nurses Week. Time to celebrate our profession!

Our theme this year is "*Prepared for the Unexpected*" is a call to honor the compassion, skills and commitment of emergency nurses. Whether you are a nurse that serves in a clinical setting, as an educator, flight nurse or community volunteer, you are supported by a 36,000 member organization that promotes education, research and public safety, and you support this organization with your membership. You take TNCC, ENPC, CATN-II and become certified as an emergency nurse, all of which demonstrates your commitment to your own growth.

Through research, education, quality care and nursing advocacy, the Emergency Nurses Association supports and honors the advancement and professionalism of emergency nurses everywhere.

You make a difference everyday to patients, families and fellow workers with your intellectual skills and compassion.

Take the opportunity this week to tell everyone what it takes to be an emergency nurse and celebrate your accomplishments.

I am proud to call you a fellow emergency nurse and salute the dedication and commitment of the emergency nursing professional who brings care, comfort, and compassion to patients and their loved ones.

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