



PROCLAMATION - Homestead Mayor Steve Bateman stands with nurses from Homestead Manor after proclaiming June 10-17, 2010 Nursing Assistants Week in Homestead.

Nursing Assistants Week in Homestead

As the average person continues to live longer than generations before, attention is being directed to the care of our elder and disabled citizens.

This attention has also put a spotlight on the employees who provide this hands-on-care in long term settings.

The 33rd Annual National Nursing Assistants Week, which runs from June 10-17, 2010 honors those who have committed themselves to providing quality care and quality of life for our older, frail, and disabled citizens.

These individuals open their hearts and it becomes more than just a job, but a family environment where strangers overnight become extended family members.

City of Homestead Mayor Steven Bateman stated, "The well-being and happiness of these citizens is dependent on these people who care and provide daily assistance.

"They truly are angels for our elderly. This nationwide and local recognition provides an opportunity to showcase this profession

as well as recognize and celebrate the role of the nursing assistant in the health care system."

Mayor Bateman and the City Council by proclamation designated June 10-17, 2010 as the 33rd National Nursing Assistants Week 2010 to recognize these dedicated and trained professionals. Mayor Bateman visited Homestead Manor an assisted living and nursing facility and presented the proclamation to their staff's nursing assistants.

He was warmly welcomed by the Directors and staff members. Mayor Bateman spoke with the employees speaking from personal experience the invaluable service and commended their dedication and compassion towards Homestead's elderly community.

Ms. Verma Johnson, Administrator for Homestead Manor, said, "Our Certified Nursing Assistants' hearts were warmed and their faces were glowing when Mayor Bateman expressed to them how great their work was."