American Nurses Association of California (ANA\C)

Resolution One: Strategies to Address the Nursing Shortage Crisis
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1. Whereas, California is currently facing a nursing shortage crisis,

2. Whereas, the current structure of statewide nursing schools are impacted which imposes a long waiting list for admissions,

3. Whereas, there is current acknowledgment within the professional and private sector that the demand for nurses will continue to increase,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the American Nurses Association\California will:

1. Commit to working with the American Nurses Association and other responsible entities to enhance successful partnership collaborations to increase nurse education opportunities to address the critical nursing shortage.

2. Advocate for expanded current nurse educational programs with the University of California, State University systems, and the California Community College systems, and seamless articulation between these schools.

3. Identify institutions of nursing education currently without nursing programs and support development of such programs.

4. Support the establishment of an interagency task force to create new schools of nursing at the UCs, CSUs, and CCCs.

5. Promote the development of statewide pre-nursing tract programs in the high school setting, and insist on increasing the number of ethnic and racially diverse applicants to nursing schools.

6. Facilitate educational redesign and seek creative solutions for programs that increase access to higher education for working nurses in order to allow recruitment of more nurse educators.

7. Seek additional funds for nursing education from Federal and other funding sources.

8. Demand partnership collaboration between hospitals and local nursing education programs.
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