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37<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Nurses Day on Capitol Hill Theme: Reimagining Health Equity: Addressing Ongoing Threats to America's Well-being

Dear NBNA Members and Attendees.

As we navigate these unprecedented times, the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) stands at the forefront of change. We are faced with the lingering impacts of COVID-19, the ongoing struggle against inhumane acts targeting diverse populations, and the urgent need to confront health inequities that persist in our communities.

On **Thursday, February 6, 2025**, we invite you to gather with us at the **Capitol Hilton in Washington, DC**, for our annual celebration of Black nurses making a difference. Inspired by our visionary 4th President, Dr. C. Alicia Georges, Black Nurses Day has become a powerful platform for amplifying our voices and advocating for health policies that benefit both nurses and the communities we serve. This year's theme, "**Reimagining Health Equity: Addressing Ongoing Threats to America's Wellbeing,**" sets the stage for vital discussions around five legislative priorities:

- 1. Tackling the Global Crisis of Black Maternal Mortality
- 2. Championing Diversity in the Nursing Workforce
- 3. Promoting Economic Wellness for Global Health Equity
- 4. Saving Our Planet: Confronting Climate Change
- 5. Exploring Al: A Pathway to Global Health Equity?

We're thrilled to welcome our corporate roundtable partners, sponsors, and allies from various industries who will share innovative, evidence-based insights. Together, we'll explore actionable strategies to implement in our communities.

Don't miss this opportunity to be part of an empowering day on Capitol Hill! Your voice matters, and together, we can drive meaningful change. We can't wait to see you there!

Warmest regards,

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