

Ladies and gentlemen,

I stand before you filled with gratitude and pride as I accept this prestigious nursing award. Today is a day of reflection and deep appreciation for the incredible journey that has brought me here. Reflecting on my career, I am reminded of the moments that have shaped me as a nurse--the late-night shifts, the first smiles of recovering patients, and the teamwork with incredible colleagues who share this vocation.

This award is not just a symbol of my dedication, but a testament to the collective efforts of our nursing community. It honors the compassion and resilience that each nurse embodies, day in and day out.

I am proud to be part of a profession that touches lives in profound ways--often silently, but always with a heart full of empathy and a spirit of service. I humbly share this recognition with every nurse who strives for excellence and makes a difference in the lives of others. Thank you for this honor, and thank you to my mentors, my family, and my peers who have been my pillars of support. Together, let us continue to uplift our profession and the standards of care we provide. Thank you.