

March 1, 2007

The Honorable George W. Bush
President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

As you visit New Orleans, the National League for Nursing asks that you pay attention to the reality of the lack of nurses in hospitals and communities in the area.

This shortage of nurses is creating health disparities, inflated costs, and poor quality of health care. **The lingering situation in New Orleans is unacceptable for anyone in America seeking access to health care.**

Most sincerely,

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