

NURSING ALUMNI HOLDING "YEAR OF THE NURSE" LABOR DAY KICKOFF EVENT TO CELEBRATE ONGOING NURSING SACRIFICES DURING PANDEMIC

Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo is among the featured speakers for the virtual event.

Houston (August 6, 2020) – As nurses continue to play a critical role in the battle against the coronavirus pandemic, alumni from nursing programs in the Texas Medical Center (TMC) are joining forces to honor and celebrate their colleagues' dedication to providing critical care.

Prairie View A&M University, University of Houston, and Texas Woman's University united to create the initiative #HoustonNursesTogether. It aligns with the World Health Organization's declaration of 2020 as the "International Year of the Nurse and Midwife." Viola Hebert, vice president of the Prairie View A&M Nurses Alumni chapter, created the idea of uniting TMC nursing programs to support all nurses.

"We are competitive in higher education, but we come together and work side-by-side after we graduate in caring for patients whether they are in the hospital, in the community, or homeless. I just wanted to pay homage to that," she said.

The "Year of the Nurse Labor Day Event" on Friday, September 4, is the next joint public affair. The "Rocking Celebration" will include County Judge Lina Hidalgo, and performances by The C.I.T.Y. Band, DJ TAKovr, and more.

Who: PVAMU's College of Nursing, University of Houston College of Nursing, and Texas Woman's

University College of Nursing

What: #HoustonNursesTogether "All That Labor Day Kickoff Celebration"

When: Friday, September 4, 2020, at 5 p.m.

Where: Register through https://bit.ly/2Dn9vTe

For more information, contact Viola Hebert, pvuimpact@gmail.com.

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