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ANA comments on National Labor Assembly Meeting:

"As an observer during the National Labor Assembly I am convinced that combined efforts of UAN and ANA are essential to address concerns of the staff nurses across our country. Our voices and efforts together demonstrate a mutual resolve to improve quality while addressing the multiple issues with working environments."

"This is a critical time in health care so it is imperative that ANA and UAN work together on the many issues facing our profession and nurses."

"Congratulations to the new Executive Council Officers. I look forward to creating new partnerships in the many opportunities that exist."

President, Rebecca M. Patton, MSN, RN, CNOR
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"I was encouraged by the candid exchange of ideas and opinions at the NLA. The National Labor Assembly delegates made decisions that will shape the future of their national labor organization, and the future of staff nurses everywhere."

Director, Kate Steenberg, RN, BSN, CCRN
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"I would say that while all the declared candidates had much to offer in leadership abilities and experience, I congratulate the NLA Delegates in electing competent and diverse, both geographically and philosophically, new leaders and hope for a continued evolution and strengthening of the UAN, our National Union for Nurses and by Nurses."

Director, Linda Warino, BSN, RN, CPAN
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