

Resolution of The Board of Supervisors of Ventura County Proclaims **Emergency Medical Services Week** May 16 – 22, 2021

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) are a vital public service and the members of Emergency Medical Services teams of Ventura County are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24-hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services are the community's medical care safety net, fills gaps and provides access into the healthcare system by delivering important, out-of-hospital care, including preventative education and activities, life-saving and time-critical interventions, and acute and non-acute medical services; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Medical Services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, administrators, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, pre-hospital educators, and other out-of-hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of Emergency Medical Services teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, the EMS community rallied to respond to the COVID-19 crisis, while still responding to the everyday emergencies that happen in our communities; and

WHEREAS, this year's EMS Week theme is "THIS IS EMS: Caring for Our Communities." It is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of Emergency Medical Services providers by designating May 16 – 22, 2021 Emergency Medical Services Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ventura County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim May 16-22, 2021 as Emergency Medical Services Week and extends its sincere appreciation and gratitude to all Emergency Medical Service personnel for their hard work and dedication to the Ventura County community.

PRESENTED THIS 18th DAY OF MAY 2021

Chair of the Board of Supervisors Linda Parks, Supervisor 2nd District

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