



Legislation Text

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To: Board of Directors

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Report Title: Designating the Week of May 19-25, 2024, as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week

Recommendation of the County Administrator Recommendation of Board Committee

RECOMMENDATIONS:

ADOPT Resolution No. 2024/xx designating the week of May 19-25, 2024 as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week, with the theme of “Honoring Our Past, Forging Our Future”.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact for this action.

BACKGROUND:

National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week is May 19-25, 2024. This year marks the 50th anniversary of National EMS Week. This resolution honors local EMS responders (emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, police, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, emergency medical dispatchers, EMS educators, EMS administrators, and others) for the critical role they play in our EMS system.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

EMS Week will not be officially recognized.

The Board of Directors of Contra Costa County Fire Protection District

IN THE MATTER OF recognizing May 19-25, 2024 as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) WEEK,

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide compassionate, lifesaving care to those in need twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) 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, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating May 19-25, 2024 as Emergency Medical Services Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors does hereby designate the week of May 19-25, 2024, as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week.

The theme of the 50th Anniversary of EMS Week is “Honoring Our Past. Forging Our Future”. We encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.