

## Proclamation

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

## Recognizing May 17 through 23, 2015 as Emergency Medical Services Week in the County of El Dorado "EMS STRONG"

WHEREAS, since the creation of the California Emergency Medical Services System and the Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act of 1980, the Emergency Medical Services Authority has existed to provide leadership in the development and implementation of EMS systems in California; and

WHEREAS, an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system is a vital public service that provides an integrated and coordinated system of optimal care from emergency medical response to definitive care for all ill and injured individuals; and

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

WHEREAS, an emergency team is comprised of law enforcement, dispatch, fire/rescue, ambulance services, hospital facilities, and medical personnel, many of whom are unpaid volunteers and devote their lives to saving the lives of others 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, these teams include emergency medical technicians, paramedics, nurses, physicians, administrators, and health educators who work together to continuously improve these lifesaving skills while also engaging in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to further enhance these skills; and

WHEREAS, the County of El Dorado Emergency Medical Services Agency continues to be effective in accomplishing its mission of reducing morbidity and mortality by the integration and coordination of emergency and disaster medical care throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services Week seeks to educate the citizens of El Dorado County in emergency medical services and procedures; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of Emergency Medical Services providers by proclaiming May 17 through 23, 2015 as Emergency Medical Services Week.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 12th day of May, 2015, does hereby proclaim May 17–23, 2015 as "Emergency Medical Services Week" and encourages its citizens to increase their awareness of the prevention of accidents and other emergency incidents while becoming familiar with how to effectively utilize the County's Emergency Medical Services system if such a situation does arise.

**Passed** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 12th day of May 2015, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest:

James S. Mitrisin

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Deputy Clerk

Brian K Veerkamt, Chair Board of Supervisors