

PROCLAMATION
EMS WEEK MAY 17-23, 2015

WHEREAS, emergency medical services are a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services teams of the Edina Fire and Police Departments 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 rate and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services providers have traditionally served as the safety net of America's health care system; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services responders of the Edina Fire and Police departments engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Edina benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; and

WHEREAS, injury prevention and the appropriate use of the Emergency Medical Services System will help reduce health care cost; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of the Edina Police and Edina Fire emergency medical personnel who serve to protect us;

WHEREAS, with the theme **EMS Strong**, the community is encouraged to observe this week recognizing the service received from Emergency Medical Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the City of Edina City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of May 17-23, 2015 as

“Emergency Medical Services Week”

In the City of Edina in honor and recognition of the valuable contributions made by the Edina Emergency Medical Service Providers to the health and well-being of our citizens.

Mayor James B. Hovland