

Legislation Text

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To recognize and designate May 15-21, 2022 as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week in Columbus, Ohio.

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week was authorized by President Gerald Ford in 1974 to celebrate EMS practitioners and the important work they do in our nation's communities. The theme of EMS Week 2022 is to thank our first responders for "rising to the challenge" to serve our community; and

WHEREAS, in April 1969, Columbus began administering Emergency Medical Services to its residents through the development of the Columbus Heartmobile Program, a partnership between the Columbus Division of Fire and The Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Service providers perform a vital public service. With over 1,500 members of the Columbus Division of Fire providing lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Columbus Division of Fire are highly trained paramedics that have the most current training and state of the art equipment so that they can manage any emergency medical situation they may encounter; and

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

WHEREAS, Columbus City Council recognizes the value, accomplishments, sacrifices, and selfless contributions of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby recognize and designate May 15-21, 2022 as Emergency Services Week and expresses gratitude to all members of the Columbus Division of Fire for their outstanding contributions to the safety and well-being of the citizens of Columbus, Ohio.