



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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**PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 16 – 22, 2021 AS  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is a vital public service and the members of EMS teams 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 have grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; 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

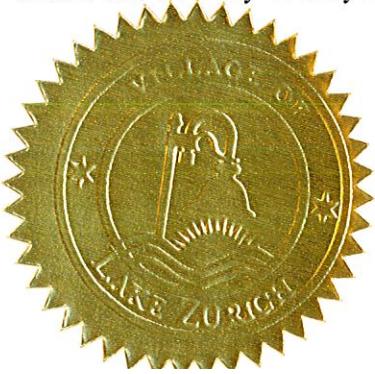
**WHEREAS**, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake Zurich, Lake County, Illinois, in recognition of this event I do hereby proclaim the week of May 16 – 22, 2021 as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK.

With this year's national theme – **This Is EMS: Caring for Our Communities**, I encourage the community to observe this week by contemplating the benefits of EMS in our area.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Poynton".

Tom Poynton, Mayor of Lake Zurich