



State of Minnesota Proclamation

WHEREAS: Emergency medical services (EMS) are a critical public service; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota EMS teams include emergency physicians, physician assistants, emergency nurses, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, emergency medical responders, firefighters, law enforcement personnel, emergency medical dispatchers, educators, and administrators; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board has led efforts to protect public health and safety through regulation and support of the EMS system since 1996; and

WHEREAS: EMS personnel, many of them volunteers, 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 rates of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS: Injury prevention and the appropriate use of the EMS system will help reduce health care costs; and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes the dedication and service of EMS providers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of **May 19 – 25, 2019**, as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK** in the State of Minnesota.

SIGNATURES:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the GREAT Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 7th day of May.

Governor Tim Walz

Secretary of State Steve Simon