PROCLAMATION

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week

May 19-25, 2024

- WHEREAS: emergency medical services is a vital public service; and
- WHEREAS: the members of emergency medical services team 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 has 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;
- THEREFORE: I, Mayor Simon Boersma, in recognition of this event, do hereby proclaim the week of May 19-25, 2024 as Emergency Medical Services Week.

Mayor Simon Boersma

