

## **EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSERS**

### **Resolution to Recognize Emergency Medical Services Week**

**May 16, 2018**

#### **Introduced by the Public Safety Committee**

Commissioner Austin moved for the approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Commissioner Droscha.

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of emergency medical services 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 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, including those in Benton Township EMS, Delta Township EMS, Eaton Area EMS, Grand Ledge EMS, Vermontville EMS and Windsor Township EMS 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 RESOLVED**, the Eaton County Board of Commissioners in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 20-26, 2018, as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK** with the theme, **EMS Strong: Stronger Together**, and encourages the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities. Carried.