

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 10

Introduced by Assembly Member Rodriguez
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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 10—Relative to emergency medical services.

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ACR 10, as introduced, Rodriguez. Emergency Medical Services Week.

This measure would proclaim the week of May 17, 2015, through May 23, 2015, as Emergency Medical Services Week.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, It is estimated that there are over 840,000
2 emergency medical services personnel in the United States,
3 including over 80,000 in the State of California; and
4 WHEREAS, Emergency medical services are a vital public
5 service and the members of emergency medical services teams are
6 ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day,
7 seven days a week; and
8 WHEREAS, The emergency medical services system consists
9 of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical
10 technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators,
11 and others; and

1 WHEREAS, The members of emergency medical services teams,
2 whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of
3 specialized training and continuing education to enhance their
4 lifesaving skills; and

5 WHEREAS, Emergency medical services providers are
6 dedicated to saving lives and possess a sense of duty to aid others
7 that is inherent in the profession and stays with an emergency
8 medical services provider for life; and

9 WHEREAS, Approximately 25 to 30 million patients nationwide
10 and over two million patients throughout California receive
11 emergency medical services each year; and

12 WHEREAS, Access to quality emergency medical care
13 dramatically improves the survival and recovery rates of those
14 who experience sudden illness or injury; and

15 WHEREAS, The American College of Emergency Physicians
16 was instrumental in establishing National Emergency Medical
17 Services Week to honor the lifesaving efforts of emergency medical
18 services personnel; and

19 WHEREAS, President Gerald Ford proclaimed the first
20 Emergency Medical Services Week in November of 1974; and

21 WHEREAS, This is the 41st anniversary of National Emergency
22 Medical Services Week; and

23 WHEREAS, The theme of Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
24 Week is “EMS STRONG”; and

25 WHEREAS, It is appropriate to recognize the value and
26 accomplishments of emergency medical services personnel by
27 designating Emergency Medical Services Week in California;
28 now, therefore, be it

29 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
30 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims the week of
31 May 17, 2015, through May 23, 2015, as Emergency Medical
32 Services Week in California; and be it further

33 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
34 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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