



PROCLAMATION



EMS WEEK

Where **Emergency Care** Begins
May 21-27, 2023

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

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide life-saving 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 life-saving 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, I, Cohen Barnes, Mayor of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 21 - 27, 2023, as Emergency Medical Services Week With the EMS Strong theme, EMS Week: Where Emergency Care Begins, and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of DeKalb to be affixed this 22nd day of May 2023.

COHEN BARNES
Mayor