

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 299216

ADOPTED ON MAY 17 2004

WHEREAS, emergency medical services are a vital public service, available seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day to the San Diego community; and

WHEREAS, employees of the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department and Rural/Metro of San Diego, Incorporated, successfully work together daily in a partnership called San Diego Medical Services Enterprise, L.L.C., which was created in 1997 as the nation's first public-private partnership to provide 9-1-1 paramedic service; and

WHEREAS, these emergency medical services employees responded to more than 70,000 emergency medical calls in 2003, which improved the survival and recovery rate of those who experienced sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the innovation, hard work, and coordinated efforts that City of San Diego and Rural/Metro of San Diego employees contribute to the City's Emergency Medical Services program by combining the best of the public and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, San Diego Medical Services Enterprise consists of paramedics, emergency medical technicians, firefighters, nurses, dispatchers, educators, administrators, and other critical personnel; and

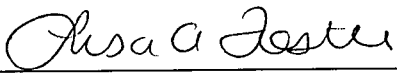
WHEREAS, the members of Emergency Medical Services teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, San Diegans benefit greatly from the knowledge and expertise of these highly trained individuals and from the services that they provide every day to the public; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby recognize the dedicated men and women in emergency medical services whose selfless efforts help save and protect the lives of those living in our community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that May 16-22, 2004, be and is hereby proclaimed to be **“EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK”** in the City of San Diego.

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