

PROCLAIMING MAY 16-21, 2021, AS

EMS WEEK

LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of EMS 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, EMS is evolving to fill a gap by providing important, out-of-hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the EMS system consists of emergency medical 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, members of EMS teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills, and it's appropriate to recognize the value and their accomplishments by honoring them during EMS Week;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of May 16-21, 2021, as Emergency Medical Services Week. With the theme "This is EMS: Caring for Our Communities," we encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Done in open session this 11th day of May 2021.

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