

PROCLAMATION

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 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, wherever career or volunteer, 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: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, 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 I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 24th day of May, 2023.

Duke A Bennett, Mayor