

**PROCLAMATION
EMS WEEK**

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 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 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

WHEREAS, the slogan of this year's EMS Week is : "EMS Strong: Called to Care"; and

THEREFORE, I, Keith Giagnorio, President of the Village of Lombard, do here by proclaim May 15-21, 2016, as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK** in the Village of Lombard and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Keith T. Giagnorio
Village President

