The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of: Resolution No. 2017/164

Recognizing May 21 – 27, 2017 as Emergency Medical Services Week.

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

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide compassionate, lifesaving care to those in need twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency medical dispatchers, law enforcement officers, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, first responders, educators, and administrators; 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, EMS plays a critical role in public outreach and injury prevention, and is evolving in its role as an important member of the healthcare community; and

WHEREAS, the year 2017 marks the 40th anniversary of the implementation of a paramedic program enhanced EMS System within Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa EMS System is recognized in the state as a leader in exceptional EMS system performance improvement practices focused on improving patient care outcomes; and

WHEREAS, in the last 10 years the EMS System within Contra Costa County has sustained an exceptional Trauma System and implemented a High Risk Heart Attack (STEMI) System, Stroke System and a Cardiac Arrest System of Care; 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, Be It Resolved: Contra Costa County in recognition of this event does hereby proclaim the week of May 21 – 27 2017, as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK with the theme "EMS STRONG: Always in Service" we encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

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	I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action tal and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the da shown.
	ATTESTED: May 23, 2017

David J. Twa,

, Deputy