## The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2019/176

Recognizing May 19 – 25, 2019 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 2019 marks the 42nd 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 12 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  $19-25\ 2019$ , as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK with the theme "EMS Strong: Beyond the Call" and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

## **JOHN GIOIA**

Chair, District I Supervisor

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District II Supervisor

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District IV Supervisor

District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true at action taken and entered on the minutes of the I the date shown.	12
ATTESTED: May 21, 2019	
David J. Twa,	
By:	, Deputy