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CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, emergency medical services are a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the City of Costa Mesa's emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital care providers; 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 Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue has responded to a dynamic and heightened extreme volume of emergency calls never experienced before in the city, county, and state; and

WHEREAS, EMS week will be observed nationally, May 15-21, 2022; and

WHEREAS, this year's EMS Week theme is: *Rising to the Challenge*, to remind people that every day EMS personnel are faced with so many new challenges in their lives, and yet they still rise above them all and continue to respond, support, and care for the needs of our communities; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue emergency medical services provided by designating Emergency Medical Services Week with the EMS Strong theme, *Rising to the Challenge*.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John B. Stephens, Mayor of the City of Costa Mesa, do hereby proclaim the week of May 15 -21, 2022 to be **National Emergency Medical Services Week** in the City of Costa Mesa, in honor of the professionals whose contributions keep our City and residents safe.

DATED this 17th of May, 2022.

John B. Stephens, Mayor of the City of Costa Mesa