

1 [Proclaiming Emergency Medical Services Week.]

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3 **Resolution commending all providers of Emergency Medical Services for their**
4 **contributions to the citizens and visitors of San Francisco and proclaiming the week of**
5 **May 18-24, 2003 as Emergency Medical Services Week in the City and County of San**
6 **Francisco.**

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8 WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is a vital public service and the
9 events of September 11th brought the courageous efforts of Emergency Medical Services
10 personnel dramatically into the public eye; and

11 WHEREAS, The EMS teams of American Medical Response, which includes the San
12 Francisco Ambulance Service, the King American Ambulance Company, the National Park
13 Service Presidio Fire Department, the San Francisco Fire Department, the San Francisco
14 Emergency Communications Center, San Francisco General Hospital Base Medical
15 Consultation and Trauma Center, the San Francisco Department of Public Health Emergency
16 Medical Services Section, the and John Adams Community College EMT and Paramedic
17 Training Programs, are ready to respond and provide lifesaving care to those in need for
18 twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week; and,

19 WHEREAS, Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and
20 recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury and EMS providers have
21 traditionally served as the safety net for America's health care system and disaster
22 preparedness; and

23 WHEREAS, An EMS response team consists of Emergency Medical Technicians,
24 Paramedics, Firefighters, Dispatchers, Nurses, Physicians, Educators, Administrators and
25 others, and these dedicated individuals have significantly contributed to the development of

1 the San Francisco Emergency Medical Services System and have enhanced the overall
2 health and well-being of the City's residents and visitors; and,

3 WHEREAS, It is important to recognize the value and the accomplishments of our
4 Emergency Medical Services providers who are dedicated to saving lives through injury
5 prevention, safety awareness and emergency preparedness; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the week of May 18-
7 24, 2003 as Emergency Medical Services Week in the City County of San Francisco.

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