



Proclamation

To designate the week of 19 to 25 May as Emergency Medical Services Week

WHEREAS, emergency medical services (EMS) are 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, 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, first responders, emergency medical technicians and paramedics stand ready to provide compassionate, lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, the members of the EMS teams, both career and 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 EMS practitioners by designating Emergency Medical Services Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of this event I do hereby proclaim the week of 19 to 25 May 2013, as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

With the theme "EMS: One Mission. One Team." I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programmes, ceremonies and activities.

In witness whereof, I have issued this Proclamation on behalf of the Government and the people of Bermuda.

Given under my hand and seal this twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord, two thousand and thirteen.

The Hon. Patricia J. Gordon-Pamplin, JP, MP
Minister of Health and Seniors