

Reps. Cochran, LaVoy, Slavens and Stanley offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 373.

A resolution to declare May 18–24, 2014, as Emergency Medical Services Week in the state of Michigan.

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, 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, Emergency medical responders are supported by emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, law enforcement officers, educators, administrators, researchers, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, and others; and

Whereas, The members of 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, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare May 18–24, 2014, as Emergency Medical Services Week in the state of Michigan. We encourage citizens to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.