SENATE RESOLUTION NO.51

Senator VanderWall offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to observe May 16-22, 2021, as Emergency Medical 2 Services (EMS) Week. 3 Whereas, Emergency medical services personnel have provided a vital public service on the front lines of a global pandemic; and 4 Whereas, EMS providers have gone above and beyond to adapt 5 6 during the COVID-19 healthcare crisis, putting their own health and 7 safety at risk to care for their communities; and 8 Whereas, Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of individuals experiencing 9 sudden illness or injury; and 10 Whereas, EMS providers stand ready to provide lifesaving 11 12 healthcare to Michigan residents 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; and

Whereas, EMS personnel continue to enhance their lifesaving 1 2 skills through thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education; and 3 Whereas, EMS workers fill critical healthcare gaps by 4 5 providing important out-of-hospital care, including preventative 6 medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and 7 Whereas, Attention must be given to the value and 8 accomplishments of EMS agencies and providers who work around the 9 clock in any type of emergency, dedicating their lives to save 10 others; now, therefore, be it 11 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative 12 body observe May 16-21, 2021, as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) 13 Week; and be it further 14 Resolved, That we encourage Michiganders to recognize all of

the contributions made by EMS providers to the continued health,

safety, and well-being of the people in our state.

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