## MICHIGAN SENATE

## Senate Resolution No. 51

Offered by Senator VanderWall

A RESOLUTION TO OBSERVE MAY 16-22, 2021, AS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) WEEK

WHEREAS, Emergency medical services personnel have provided a vital public service on the front lines of a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, EMS providers have gone above and beyond to adapt during the COVID-19 healthcare crisis, putting their own health and safety at risk to care for their communities; and

WHEREAS, Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of individuals experiencing sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, EMS providers stand ready to provide lifesaving healthcare to Michigan residents 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; and

WHEREAS, EMS personnel continue to enhance their lifesaving skills through thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education; and

WHEREAS, EMS workers fill critical healthcare gaps by providing important out-of-hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, Attention must be given to the value and accomplishments of EMS agencies and providers who work around the clock in any type of emergency, dedicating their lives to save others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body observe May 16-21, 2021, as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week; and be it further

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.

Adopted by the Senate, May 25, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate