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RECOGNIZING MAY 19-25, 2019 AS EMS WEEK IN DANE COUNTY

WHEREAS the Dane County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) regional system provides coordinated, quality care to the residents of Dane County, and access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS 2019 marks 42 years that Dane County EMS has provided this vital public service, with the EMS system responding to 41,600 calls for service in 2018; and

WHEREAS 1,060 emergency medical providers are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week; and approximately half of all EMS providers are volunteers; and

WHEREAS members of EMS teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the week of May 19th – 25th as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK in Dane County, as a tribute to the dedication and accomplishments of the Dane County Emergency Medical Services providers, including emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, and administrators.