Proclamation

Emergency Medical Services Week
May 15-21, 2022

"Rising to the Challenge"

To designate the Week of May 15 - 21, 2022, as Emergency Medical Services Week,

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services has grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or 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 emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Tim Swadley formally designates May 15-21, 2022 as **Emergency Medical Services Week** in the City of Stoughton.

With the EMS Strong theme, *EMS Week: Rising to the Challenge*, I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

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Tim Swadley, Mayor of the City of Stoughton