RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION: (Policy Item: Yes___ No_X__)  
Recommend resolution declaring the week of May 16 - 22, 1999 as Emergency Medical Services Week. Resolution attached.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

In previous years, the Board has recognized the efforts of volunteers and professional staff providing EMS services in Mariposa County.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

N/A
PROCLAMATION
OF MAY 16 THROUGH 22, 1999
AS
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

WHEREAS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES are 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, emergency medical services personnel are Dispatchers, First Responders, Emergency Technicians, Paramedics, Mobile Intensive Care Nurses, Emergency Physicians, Educators, and Administrators; and

WHEREAS, the members of the emergency medical services system continually improve their knowledge participating in specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, the public benefits daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; 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 the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereby proclaims the week of May 16 through 22, 1999, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 18th day of May, 1999, unanimous vote.

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