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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF BOSTON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND IN CELEBRATION OF EMS WEEK

WHEREAS, In 1974, President Gerald Ford authorized National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week to honor the critical contributions of EMS professionals who safeguard the health and safety of communities across the nation; *and*

WHEREAS, Boston Emergency Medical Services is one of the city's three core public safety agencies, responding to 9-1-1 calls with clinical excellence, professionalism, and compassion, and is recognized as the largest municipal EMS agency in New England; *and*

WHEREAS, Boston EMS provides both Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance coverage across all Boston neighborhoods, responding to tens of thousands of clinical incidents each month with urgency and care; *and*

WHEREAS, In 2024 alone, Boston EMS responded to over 135,000 clinical incidents and provided more than 170,000 total BLS and ALS responses, serving every neighborhood with dedication and resilience; *and*

WHEREAS, Members of Boston EMS played a vital role on the frontlines during the COVID-19 pandemic, responding to over 160,000 incidents in 2021, caring for suspected and confirmed COVID-19 patients, and even administering more than 2,300 vaccinations; *and*

WHEREAS, The 2025 National EMS Week theme, "**We Care. For Everyone.**", reflects the strength, adaptability, and continued commitment of EMS professionals like those serving in Boston, who have risen to every challenge with courage and resolve; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council honors and commends the service, skill, and sacrifice of the men and women of Boston Emergency Medical Services, and hereby recognizes May 19 – May 25, 2025 as Boston Emergency Medical Services Week.

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