



City of St. Charles
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Proclamation

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

- WHEREAS,** Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is a vital public service; and
- WHEREAS,** the members of St. Charles Fire Department and Tri-City Ambulance Service 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,** the emergency medical services system consists of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and
- WHEREAS,** the members of the St. Charles Fire Department and Tri-City Ambulance Service engaged in more than 2,200 hours of specialized training and continuing education in 2011 in order to enhance their lifesaving skills; and
- WHEREAS,** in 2011 the St. Charles Fire Department responded to 2,743 requests for emergency medical services, treated 2,888 patients, and transported 2,097 individuals to the hospital; 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, I, Donald P. DeWitte, Mayor of the City of St. Charles, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of **May 20-26, 2012** as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK**. With the theme, EMS: A Proud Partner in Your Community, I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

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Donald P. DeWitte
Donald P. DeWitte, Mayor