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City of Hiawatha
State of Iowa

PROCLAMATION

City of Hiawatha, Iowa Mayor's Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, the members of Hiawatha Fire and Ambulance 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, 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, and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Bennett, Mayor of the City of Hiawatha do hereby proclaim the week of May 20-26, 2018, as Emergency Medical Services Week.

Dated this 16th day of May, 2018.

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Mayor, Bill Bennett