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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 153

BY REPRESENTATIVE COUSSAN

A RESOLUTION

To recognize May 16-22, 2021, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians, in partnership with the American College of Emergency Physicians, has designated the week of May 16-22, 2021, as Emergency Medical Services Week, nationally, the theme of which is "This is EMS: Caring for Our Communities"; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services are an essential public service and a vital facet of healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need twenty-four 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 fill a gap by providing out of hospital care, which includes providing preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, advanced 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, 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 fitting and proper for the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana to recognize the accomplishments of emergency medical service

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providers by recognizing May 16-22, 2021, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize May 16-22, 2021, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Louisiana and does hereby encourage the citizens of Louisiana to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES