

Introduced May 11, 1999, by Councilwoman
Livaudais, seconded by Councilmen Cerny and
Washington (by request)

RESOLUTION R99-19

A resolution by the Slidell City Council designating the week of May 16-22, 1999,
as Emergency Medical Services Week.

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

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to
provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, 7 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 providers have traditionally served as
the safety net of America's health care system; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services teams consist of emergency
physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters,
educators, administrators, and others; and

WHEREAS, approximately two-thirds of all emergency medical services
providers are volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the 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, Americans benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these
highly trained individuals; and

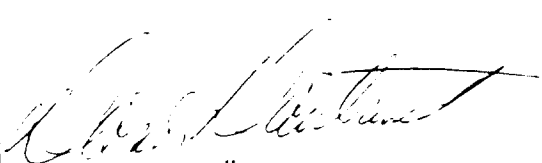
WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments
of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week;
and

WHEREAS, injury prevention and the appropriate use of the EMS system will
help reduce national health care costs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does
hereby recognize the week of May 16-22, 1999, as Emergency Medical Services Week, and
encourages the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and
activities.

ADOPTED this 11th day of May, 1999.


Lionel J. Washington
President of the Council
Councilman, District A


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Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council