

PROCLAMATION

*To designate the week of May 15, 2016, as
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week*

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

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services 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 providers have traditionally served as the vital link in America's healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, approximately two-thirds of all community emergency medical services are volunteer professionals; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, dispatchers, educators, administrators and others; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, the residents and visitors of our community benefit daily from the dedication of these highly trained individuals; and

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

WHEREAS, the designation of Emergency Medical Services Week will also assist in informing the public about the life saving aspects of the local EMS system,

NOW, THEREFORE, we POWELL TOWNSHIP in recognition of our local EMS do hereby proclaim the week of May 15-21, 2016, as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

*With the theme, **EMS Strong: Called To Care**, we encourage the community to observe this week and actively support our local EMS agencies.*

Date: 4-19-2016

Signed: Linda H. Gunkle