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City of Cleveland Kicks Off National Emergency Medical Service Week

CLEVELAND — Mayor Frank G. Jackson and Director of Public Safety Michael McGrath announce the start of National Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Week 2018, held the week of May 20th – May 26th, 2018.

“Our EMS dispatchers, EMTs and paramedics are often the first to respond to emergency calls and provide life-saving care,” said Mayor Jackson. “It is important to recognize them for their service to the City of Cleveland, our residents and our visitors.”

From car accidents to medical emergencies, Cleveland EMS provides quality pre-hospital care to residents and visitors in what are often the most vulnerable moments in their lives. This week, support and thank our emergency medical dispatchers, emergency medical technicians and paramedics for their life-saving contributions.

President Gerald Ford authorized EMS Week in 1974 to celebrate EMS practitioners and the important work they do in our communities. The annual event is sponsored by the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) and the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP).

Cleveland EMS will celebrate its employees throughout the week culminating in a Recognition Ceremony at City Council Chambers in City Hall on Friday, May 25 at 11:30 a.m. Awards will be presented in recognition of life-saving actions performed over the past year.

The City encourages residents to celebrate National EMS Week 2018 and their important work! Follow the #EMSweek hashtag on social media for updates.

About the City of Cleveland

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