

**CITY OF ALTOONA
PROCLAMATION**

By

Mayor Brendan Pratt

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

May 21-27, 2023

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, 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 have 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, whether career or volunteer, 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brendan Pratt, Mayor of the City of Altoona, call upon all citizens of the City of Altoona, in recognition of this event, do here proclaim the week of May 21-27, 2023, as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

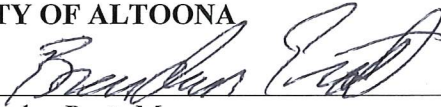
with the theme, **EMS: Where Emergency Care Begins**, I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Altoona to be affixed.


Dated this 11th day of May, 2023.



CITY OF ALTOONA


Brendan Pratt, Mayor

Attest:


Cindy Bauer, City Clerk