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Emergency Medical Services Week

During this National Emergency Medical Services Week, I commend California's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers who work on ambulances, fire trucks, helicopters, fixed wing aircraft and in hospital emergency departments throughout the state under challenging conditions.

Emergency medical care increases survival and recovery rates for injured and seriously ill patients. California's EMS personnel are the front line of emergency medicine, going anywhere care is needed, whether in the home, in a business, on the streets or in the wilds to deliver timely, high quality medical care when it is needed most. They provide a medical safety net in emergency situations and serve as the bridge between public safety and medicine.

On behalf of all the state of California and the many visitors from around the world, I thank you for your outstanding public service and dedication to such a noble profession.

Sincerely,

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.