WHEREAS, the American College of Emergency Physicians recognizes the week of May 18-24, 2014, as Emergency Medical Services Week in celebration of the federal Emergency Medical Services System Act of 1973; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services are among the most important services provided to King County residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services delivered in the region were a model for the federal act, and Medic One is celebrating the 44th anniversary of delivering emergency medical care to the residents and visitors throughout the area; and

WHEREAS, rapid access to effective emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, Medic One teams operate through regional cross-jurisdictional and collaborative partnerships to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, King County’s regional EMS partnership contributes to achieving the nation’s highest reported cardiac arrest survival rate, now up to 62 percent, and the region’s reputation as the best place in the world to survive a heart attack:

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the King County Executive and the Metropolitan King County Council, hereby proclaim the week of May 18 to 24, 2014, as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

in King County in recognition of the value and the accomplishments of our emergency medical services providers.

DATED this nineteenth day of May, 2014.

Dow Constantine, Executive

Jane Hague, Council Vice Chair, District Six

Rod Dembowski, District One

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Pete von Reichbauer, District Seven

Larry Phillips, Council Chair, District Four

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