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## Inyo Proclamation

## PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF INYO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA HONORING THE COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM AS THE INYO COUNTY 2019 EMS PROVIDER OF THE YEAR

*Whereas,* the Inyo County Emergency Medical Care Committee, dedicated to the preservation and improvement of the local EMS program throughout Inyo County, created the Annual EMS Provider of the Year Award; and

Whereas, the Inyo County Board of Supervisors strongly supports the efforts of its EMS providers throughout Inyo County and is pleased to join with the other members of our community in honoring the brave men and women who volunteer their time to help keep their loved ones, friends, neighbors, and our visitors safe in times of emergencies; and

*Whereas,* the Inyo County Board of Supervisors recognizes that the EMS system includes both volunteers and emergency medical services employees throughout the County; and

Whereas, the EMS system is supported with training and resources through regional and local agencies and education systems; and

Whereas, the EMS system is activated by law enforcement dispatch systems and responded to by law enforcement agencies and both volunteer and paid Firefighters, Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) who provide life-saving immediate care; and

*Whereas,* both paid and volunteer ambulance services and medical air flight services ensure the safe and timely transport of injured and ill community members and area visitors to acute hospital care; and

Whereas, acute care hospitals provide emergency medical treatment to stabilize and save lives; and

Whereas, the EMS system is represented by dispatchers and law enforcement personnel from the Inyo County Sheriff's Department, Inyo County Search and Rescue, Bishop Police Department, California Highway Patrol, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, and California Department of Fish and Wildlife; and

Whereas, emergency responders and ambulance services are represented by volunteer and paid fire and medical personnel from Bishop Fire Department, Big Pine Volunteer Fire Department, Independence Volunteer Fire Department, Lone Pine Volunteer Fire Department, Olancha Volunteer Fire Department, Southern Inyo Fire Protection District, CalFire, Symons Ambulance, and Sierra Life Flight; and

Whereas, acute medical services are provided by dedicated doctors, nurses, and other medical personnel at Southern Inyo Hospital and Northern Inyo Hospital; and

Whereas, agencies such as Inland Counties Emergency Medial Agency (ICEMA), Cerro Coso Community College, and Inyo County Department of Health and Human Services' Public Health and Behavioral Health programs provide training and support to the system.

Now, Therefore, Be It Proclaimed, this 21st day of May 2019, that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors in recognition of the dedicated service the Emergency Medical System has given to the residents and visitors of Inyo County, is proud to join with the Emergency Medical Care Committee in honoring the EMS system as the Inyo County 2019 EMS Provider of the Year and extends its congratulations and heartfelt appreciation to each individual and agency for their dedication and personal commitment to the citizens of Inyo County and commends them on being a shining example of what it means to be service providers.

Chairperson Rick Pucci