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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Community Health Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE: April 17, 2003

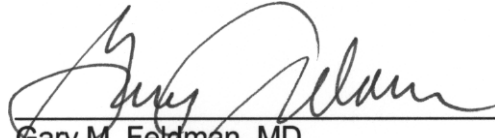
SUBJECT Emergency Medical Services Week, "When It Matters Most" - May 18-24, 2003

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Recognize and proclaim the week of May 18-24, 2003 as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week, "When It Matters Most"; and
- 2) Present the Proclamation to the Community Health Agency EMS Director.

BACKGROUND: Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week is a nationally celebrated event recognizing the essential community service of those persons who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of the medical "front line" to our citizens. In addition to responding to medical emergencies, EMS providers also educate the public about emergency medical procedures (e.g., CPR, automatic defibrillation), injury prevention, and safety awareness. EMS Week is sponsored by the American College of Emergency Physicians and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.



Gary M. Feldman, MD
Director

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FINANCIAL DATA

CURRENT YEAR COST \$0
NET COUNTY COST \$0

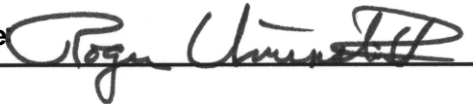
ANNUAL COST \$0
IN CURRENT BUDGET N/A
BUDGET ADJUSTMENT NO FOR FY 02/03

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATIONS:

APPROVE

County Executive Officer Signature



Department Recommendation: Consent Policy
Per Executive Office: Consent Policy

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK
“When It Matters Most”

A Proclamation

To Designate the Week of May 18-24, 2003 as Emergency Medical Services Week

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, Americans benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly-trained individuals; 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, the **County** of Riverside, in recognition of this event, does hereby proclaim the week of May 18–24, 2003 as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

and encourages the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.