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Nor-Cal EMS Region:

May 15-21, 2022 is the 47th Annual National EMS Week. It is my pleasure to once again use this week to share some history and to thank you for your dedication to EMS.

In 1974, President Gerald Ford authorized EMS Week to celebrate EMS practitioners and their life saving work. Nor-Cal EMS is fortunate to have an originally signed 1974 Emergency Medical Services Week, Proclamation by President Gerald Ford. The Proclamation calls upon a national effort to improve emergency medical care and specifically cites the needs of rural America.

A former Nor-Cal EMS Medical Director, Dr. Chester Ward, who was a White House Physician during President Ford's term, passed this plaque on to Nor-Cal EMS. The plaque is located on our wall in our lobby area. We are thankful for the acknowledgment of a structured EMS system and are fortunate to work each day with EMS professionals throughout our five-county region and the state.

Nor-Cal EMS sends a heartfelt thank you to all EMS personnel. The COVID-19 pandemic along with weather and fire disasters during this last year have been extraordinary. The challenging work and dedication have been noticed and very much appreciated. Without caring, educated, dedicated EMS personnel, our system would fail, and lives would be at risk.

Thank you for your allegiance to EMS. It is a pleasure working with you.

Sincerely,

Donna Stone
Chief Executive Officer