The Navajo Nation proclaims May 15—21, 2011 as NAVAJO NATION EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK. This National campaign is endorsed by the American College of Osteopathic of Emergency Physicians, American Heart Association, National Association of EMT's & EMS Physicians and Emergency Nurses Association to direct attention to the importance of emergency response in saving precious lives.

WHEREAS; the Navajo Nation Emergency Medical Service 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 qualified emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS; the Navajo Nation Emergency Medical Service system consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and

WHEREAS; the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS; the families of the emergency medical services care team have endured endless sacrifice and continuous support for their loved ones while performing their duties to save lives; and

WHEREAS; it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

NOW THEREFORE, I MR. BEN SHELLY, NAVAJO NATION PRESIDENT do hereby proclaim May 15 - 21, 2011 as

NAVAJO NATION EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

With the theme "EMS Everyday Heroes," and call upon all citizens, governments, public and private institutions, businesses, and schools to join us in supporting the efforts and activities of the Navajo Nation Emergency Medical Service.

Mr. John Hubbard Jr.
Area Director
Navajo Area Indian Health Service

Mr. Ben Shelly
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Navajo Emergency Medical Services
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Contact your local EMS office for more information.