

# Proclamation

*City of St. Joseph, Missouri*

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of Heartland Paramedics, The St. Joseph Fire Department and the emergency department staff at Heartland Regional Medical Center are emergency medical teams, 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**, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, firefighters, educators, administrators, telecommunicators and others; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of emergency medical services teams, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Bill Falkner, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of St. Joseph, do hereby proclaim the week of May 16-22, 2010 as **Emergency Medical Services Week** in St. Joseph, Missouri.

**ISSUED:** This 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2010

**Bill Falkner**

*Mayor*

