

# STATE OF ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for Children recognizes that children have unique physiological responses to illness and injury; and,*

*WHEREAS, EMS for Children promotes a specialized approach to pediatric care; and,*

*WHEREAS, Illinois' emergency medical services system strives to integrate pediatric emergency care needs across a wide spectrum; and,*

*WHEREAS, in Illinois there are 62 EMS resource hospitals, 67 trauma centers, 159 stroke centers, 101 emergency departments approved for pediatrics, and 10 pediatric critical care centers; 590 ambulance providers and 3,116 ambulances; 15,356 emergency medical responders; 19,862 EMTs, 534 Intermediate/Advanced EMTs, 15,761 paramedics; 4,948 emergency communications registered nurses; 2,735 trauma nurse specialists; 505 pre-hospital registered nurses; 3,116 emergency medical dispatchers, and 1,406 lead instructors selflessly providing 24-hour service to the people of Illinois; and,*

*WHEREAS, Illinois champions EMS for Children's commitment to reduce childhood morbidity and mortality associated with severe illness and trauma;*

**THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim May 22, 2019, as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN DAY in Illinois.**

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.*

*Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,*  
*this TWENTY-FIFTH day of APRIL, in*  
*the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and*  
*NINETEEN, and of the State of Illinois,*  
*two hundred and FIRST.*



*Deese White*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*JB Pritzker*  
GOVERNOR