## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service that provides lifesaving and supporting care to the citizens of Thurston County 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services teams, including emergency physicians, nurses, first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, educators, dispatchers, administrators, and others, give selflessly of themselves for the care and welfare of others; and

WHEREAS, citizens and emergency medical services providers continue to serve as the safety net for America's health care system; and

WHEREAS, the people of Thurston County recognized the need for and initiated a countywide emergency medical services system, Medic One, that has provided 40 years of continuous public emergency medical services since 1974; and

WHEREAS, Thurston County Medic One has consistently been a model of cooperation in patient care, research, and performance; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize, honor, and promote the value of the accomplishments of the Thurston County Medic One/Emergency Medical Services System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Olympia City Council does hereby recognize Thurston County Medic One for 40 years of outstanding service to the citizens of Olympia and Thurston County.

SIGNED IN THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2014

**OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL** 

Stephen H. Buxbaum Mayor