



**City of Palo Alto**  
**City Council Staff Report**

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**Report Type: Special Orders of the Day Meeting Date: 2/12/2018**

**Summary Title: Proclamation Honoring Foothill College EMS Programs**

**Title: Proclamation Expressing Appreciation to the Foothill College Paramedic Program for Educating Paramedic Students and Their Support of the City of Palo Alto's Emergency Medical Services**

**From: City Manager**

**Lead Department: City Clerk**

**Attachments:**

- Attachment A: Proclamation Expressing Appreciation to the Foothill College Paramedic Program



# Proclamation

## Expression Appreciation to the Foothill College Paramedic Program

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical service is a vital asset to the community, as it provides access to quality emergency care that dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

**WHEREAS**, the faculty of the EMS Programs of Foothill College established in 1994 has been engaged in teaching emergency medical care and paramedicine and providing advanced knowledge and skills in lifesaving to hundreds of students each year; and

**WHEREAS**, Foothill College EMS Programs are accredited through the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions, and the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, which assures that Foothill EMS Programs have met the highest standards required in EMS Education; and

**WHEREAS**, the long-standing partnership between the Palo Alto Fire Department and Foothill College EMS Programs has provided quality training to the students of Foothill College and their firefighters, which prepares them to deliver the highest quality and competent medical care to the citizens of Palo Alto; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of Foothill College Administration and EMS Programs faculty for all that they do and provide to the City of Palo Alto and Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, on the evening of October 6, 2017, Palo Alto Ranger Robbie (George) Parry and Foothill paramedic student Kate Peters were volunteering their time at the Midnight Run in Palo Alto, when a participant in the event suffered cardiac arrest; and

**WHEREAS**, Kate Peters and Ranger Perry were able to resuscitate the victim using Foothill College equipment and utilizing the knowledge they gained through the EMS Programs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Liz Kniss**, Mayor of the City of Palo Alto, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim our appreciation for Kate Peters and Ranger Perry for demonstrating commendable civic response to a citizen in need while volunteering to serve. The City also proclaims its support and appreciation for its valuable partnership with the Foothill College EMS Programs.

Presented: February 12, 2018

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**Liz Kniss**  
**Mayor**