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To: Mark Piland, Fire Chief
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Date: June 7, 2016
Subject: Mission: Lifeline Award

On Wednesday, May 18, 2016, the Frisco Fire Department was awarded the 2016 Mission: Lifeline “EMS Gold Award”, the highest award available, by the American Heart Association. Mission: Lifeline recognizes Emergency Medical Service (EMS) providers from across the nation for their vital role in providing timely treatment to patients suffering from ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI) heart attacks. This program recognizes EMS providers who identify STEMI patients through rapid 12-lead electrocardiogram (ECG) interpretation, follow protocols derived from American Heart Association/American College of Cardiology guidelines, and promptly notify a STEMI receiving hospital. Achievement criteria are based on the volume of STEMI patients treated within one calendar year where a minimum of 75% receive a 12-lead ECG and have an EMS contact time to receiving hospital intervention time of fewer than 90 minutes. This is the second year that the Frisco Fire Department has received a Mission Lifeline award. The department earned the “EMS Silver Award” in 2015, which is the highest level recognition given to first-year applicants such as Frisco Fire.

A representative from the American Heart Association would like to formally present the 2016 Mission: Lifeline “EMS Gold Award” to the Frisco Fire Department during the June 7, 2016, City Council Meeting. The Mission: Lifeline award is a testament to the commitment of our EMS personnel and their ability to provide outstanding care to STEMI patients. Frisco Fire Department is closing the gaps that separate STEMI patients from timely access to lifesaving care. This is a remarkable accomplishment that we should all be proud of as we all share a hand in the achievement of this award.