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PROCLAMATION EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK MAY 15-21, 2022

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

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are 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, emergency medical services have grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; *and*

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital medical care providers; *and*

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

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

NOW, THEREFORE the Rowan County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of May 15-21, 2022, as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK** with the *EMS Strong theme, THIS IS EMS: Caring for Our Communities*, and encourages the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

This the 2nd day of May, 2022.

Gregory C. Edds, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

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