

# Proclamation

## Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week May 19 - 25, 2024

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services is 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 has 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 the Emergency Medical Services Week; now

**NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Alamance County Board of Commissioners**, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of **May 19 - 25, 2024**, as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK** in Alamance County.

The 50th Anniversary of EMS Week theme is **EMS WEEK: Honoring Our Past. Forging Our Future**, we encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024

*Alamance County Board of Commissioners*

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*John Paisley, Jr., Chairman*

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Tory Frink, Clerk to the Board*