



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2023-43

### Emergency Medical Services Appreciation Week

**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 recognizing Emergency Medical Services Week with the theme, "Rising to the Challenge."

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND**, proclaim May 21-27, 2023 as **Emergency Medical Services Appreciation Week** in Charles County. We salute all the Charles County the men and women who provide Emergency Medical Services for their dedication and commitment to serving our County especially during this unprecedented time of uncertainty and shared sacrifice.

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