

County Commissioners of Charles County

PROCLAMATION 2022-40

Emergency Medical Services for Children Day

WHEREAS, more than 30 million children receive emergency medical care each year due to illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the needs of children are different than the needs of adults in medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Emergency Medical Services for Children is to help states and communities prepare for a medical/traumatic emergency involving a child through the provision of properly trained emergency personnel, sufficiently equipped ambulances, pediatric-ready emergency departments, and well-defined pediatric treatment protocols and procedures; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services for Children relies on its established partnership within the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) community, as well as physicians and nurses who provide pediatric emergency care, to help states and communities reduce child and youth disability and death due to severe illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services for Children, the tens of thousands of EMS providers and acute care professionals it serves, and the more than 25 professional organizations in which its partners are committed to improving the quality of emergency care children receive; and

WHEREAS, it is proper and timely to bring recognition to the value and accomplishments of Emergency Medical Services for Children and the dedicated men and women who work tirelessly to improve the quality of pediatric medical care.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, proclaim May 18, 2022 as Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Day in Charles County and urge all residents and health care professionals serving the pediatric population to celebrate the theme "EMS: Rising to the Challenge."

Attest:

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