



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *emergency medical services (EMS) is a vital public service; and*

WHEREAS, *emergency medical clinicians, whether volunteer or paid, serve at the nexus of our medical, public safety and public health system giving selflessly of themselves; and*

WHEREAS, *each year, more than one million calls are made to 9-1-1 requesting emergency care for traumatic injuries, burns, poisonings, spinal cord injuries, heart attacks and other critical medical emergencies; and*

WHEREAS, *New Jersey has a wide range of emergency medical organizations, including community-based emergency medical services, regional mobile intensive care programs, mobile specialty care and mobile aeromedical care programs, and the EMS Task Force, working in partnership with hospital emergency departments, burn centers, trauma centers, children's hospitals, poison information and education service, and other vital services that strive to save lives and reduce disabilities of the critically ill or injured; and*

WHEREAS, *access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and*

WHEREAS, *EMS clinicians, whether volunteer or paid, engage in thousands of hours of specialized education to enhance their clinical skills; and*

WHEREAS, *New Jersey is a leader in the types and quality of emergency medical care available to patients and desires to continue to improve upon its emergency medical services system in order to assure all residents the highest standards of emergency medical care; and*

WHEREAS, *it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of EMS clinicians by designating an Emergency Medical Services Week;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

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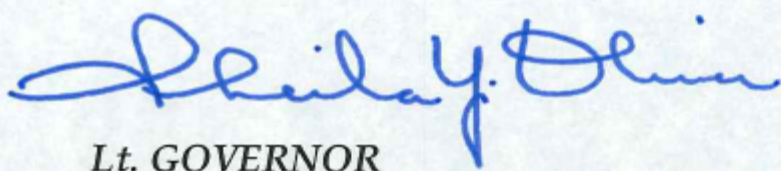
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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

in New Jersey in recognition of all those engaged in emergency medical services and encourage residents to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this seventeenth day of May in the year two thousand eighteen, the two hundred forty-second year of the Independence of the United States.


Lt. GOVERNOR


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