

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA }
 }
COUNTY OF DARLINGTON }

RESOLUTION NO. 815

**PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK
MAY 17-23, 2026**

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service;

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;

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

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;

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;

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 **National Emergency Medical Services Week**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of Darlington County, South Carolina, the Darlington County Council, to hereby proclaim the **week of May 17-23, 2026**, as

NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK
with the theme
"Improving Outcomes, Together."

And BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Darlington County Council encourages all communities to observe EMS Week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Approved by the Darlington County Council in meeting duly assembled this 4th day of May 2026.





Bobby Hudson, Chairman
Darlington County Council



Attest: J. JaNet Bishop, Clerk to Council