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

WHEREAS, over 30,000 emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, mobile intensive care clinicians, mobile specialty care clinicians, mobile aeromedical care clinicians, emergency medical communicators, and EMS physicians serve on the frontlines of our healthcare and public health system, giving selflessly of themselves every day; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical service clinicians have been working tirelessly during the COVID 19 pandemic to safeguard the health, safety and wellbeing in their communities while adapting and responding every day; and

WHEREAS, many have died in the line of duty while protecting the very communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, each year more than one million, five hundred thousand calls are made to 9-1-1 in New Jersey emergency medical care; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical service clinicians will continue to respond selflessly as they continue to respond today and in the future; 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:

MAY 17 THROUGH MAY 23, 2020
AS
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

in New Jersey.

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

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