



- WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services is an essential public safety service; and,
- WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of physicians, nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, law enforcement officers, telecommunicators, and others; 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 medical care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and,
- WHEREAS, emergency medical services personnel engage in countless hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and,
- WHEREAS, the Gaston County Emergency Medical Services system is a leader in EMS in North Carolina; and,
- WHEREAS, the residents and visitors of Gaston County benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; and,
- WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of emergency medical services providers, perhaps now more than ever, by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the week of May 17 - 23, 2026 as

### ***EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK***

in Gaston County, and call upon all citizens to observe this period with appropriate events, programs, and activities.

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To be Adopted the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2026



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## Gaston Emergency Medical Services (GEMS)

### Board Action

File #: 26-186

Commissioner Fraley - GEMS - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of May 17-23, 2026 as Emergency Medical Services Week in Gaston County

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#### BACKGROUND

N/A

#### ATTACHMENTS

Proclamation

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

NO.	DATE	M1	M2	JBailey	CBrown	CCloninger	AFraley	BHovis	TKeigher	SShehan	Vote
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