## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, MAY 15, 2023

## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of May 21 through 27, 2023, as "Emergency Medical Services Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Emergency medical services are a vital public
- 4 service; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The members of emergency medical services teams are
- 6 ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a
- 7 day, seven days a week; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Access to quality emergency care dramatically
- 9 improves the survival and recovery rates of those who experience
- 10 sudden illness or injury; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Emergency medical services have grown to fill a gap
- 12 by providing important out-of-hospital care, including
- 13 preventative medicine, follow-up care and access to
- 14 telemedicine; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The emergency medical services system consists of
- 16 first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics,

- 1 emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers,
- 2 educators, administrators, prehospital nurses, emergency nurses,
- 3 emergency physicians, trained members of the public and other
- 4 out-of-hospital medical care providers; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The members of emergency medical services teams,
- 6 whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of
- 7 specialized training and continuing education to enhance their
- 8 lifesaving skills; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The theme for "Emergency Medical Services Week" in
- 10 2023 is "EMS Week: Where Emergency Care Begins"; and
- 11 WHEREAS, It is appropriate to recognize the value and the
- 12 accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by
- 13 designating "Emergency Medical Services Week"; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 15 week of May 21 through 27, 2023, as "Emergency Medical Services
- 16 Week" in Pennsylvania.