

In the Great State of Georgia in the County of Gordon

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord, Two Thousand, and Twenty-Two

WHEREAS, emergency medical service is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services teams throughout Gordon County are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

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

WHEREAS, emergency medical services have grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, law enforcement officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital medical care providers; and

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 Emergency Medical Services Week; now

THEREFORE, we, the Gordon County Board of Commissioners, in recognition of this event, do hereby proclaim the week of **May 15-21, 2022**, as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK**

With the EMS Strong theme, *EMS WEEK: Rising to the Challenge*, I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Gordon County to be affixed this ____ day of May 2022.

Becky Hood, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Annette Berry, County Clerk