DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Proclamation

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK | 2019

- WHEREAS, Durham County's emergency medical services system provides a vital public service; and
- **WHEREAS**, the members of Durham County's emergency medical services team are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, 365 days a year; and
- **WHEREAS**, access to quality emergency care in Durham County dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and
- **WHEREAS**, Durham County's emergency medical services system consists of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and
- **WHEREAS**, the members of Durham County's emergency medical services teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and
- **WHEREAS**, Americans generally, and Durham County residents, workers, and visitors in particular benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly-trained individuals; and
- WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the Durham County Board of County Commissioners to join with other governing bodies across the United States in setting aside the week of May 19-25, 2019 in recognition of the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services, by marking the week as Emergency Medical Services Week.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I, Wendy Jacobs, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 19-25, 2019 as

"EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK"

in Durham, North Carolina and with the theme *EMS STRONG BEYOND the CALL*, I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities in Durham County, North Carolina. commend its observance to our citizens.

This the 13th day of May 2019.

Wendy Jacobs, Chair Durham Board of County Commissioners

