



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, emergency care personnel, including emergency medical dispatchers, first responders, first aiders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, nurses and physicians, whether volunteer or paid, serve on the frontlines of our healthcare and public health system, giving selflessly of themselves; 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, New Jersey has a wide range of emergency medical providers, including local first aid and rescue squads, ambulance services, mobile intensive care programs, air medical EMS response programs, specialty burn care, a poison information and education service, designated trauma centers, EMS Task Force, medical dispatch services, and other vital services that strive to save lives and reduce disabilities of the critically ill or injured; and

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

WHEREAS, EMS personnel, whether volunteer or paid, engage in thousands of hours of specialized education to enhance their skills; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey is a leader in the types and quality of emergency medical care available to patients and desires to continue to improve upon its emergency medical services system to assure all residents the highest standards of emergency medical care; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of EMS providers by designating an Emergency Medical Services Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

**MAY 20, 2020**

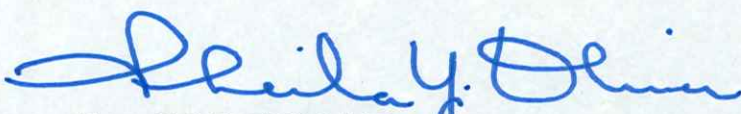
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**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR  
CHILDREN DAY**

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.

  
Lt. GOVERNOR

  
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