STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA }
}
COUNTY OF DARLINGTON }

RESOLUTION NO. 689

EMS WEEK PROCLAMATION

Designating The Week Of May 20 - 26, 2018
As Emergency Medical Services Week

***WHEREAS**, emergency medical services are a vital public service; 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 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, and access to telemedicine; and*

***WHEREAS**, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police 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*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the governing body of Darlington County, South Carolina, the Darlington County Council, do hereby proclaim the week of May 20-26, 2018, as*

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

*with the theme, **EMS Strong: Stronger Together**, and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.*

Adopted in meeting duly assembled this 7th day of May 2018.

Bobby Hudson, Chairman
Darlington County Council

Attest: J. JaNet Bishop, Clerk to Council