

PROCLAMATION #2017 - 14

**National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week
May 21 – 27, 2017**

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is 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 has 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, Therefore: We, David S. Keller, Robert L. Thomas, and Robert G. Ziobrowski, as the Commissioners of Franklin County, *do hereby proclaim the week of May 21 - 27, 2017, as*

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

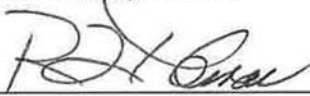
With the theme, ***EMS Strong: Always in Service***, We encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: We have hereunto set our hands and caused this Seal of Franklin County to be affixed hereto this 18th day of May in the year Two Thousand and Seventeen.

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



David S. Keller, Chairman



Robert L. Thomas



Robert G. Ziobrowski

