The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

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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 the 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 emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, Prehospital Registered Nurses, Prehospital Physicians, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital medicinal care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical service teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their life saving skills; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical service providers within Centre County, as have their colleagues throughout the nation, are demonstrating exemplary dedication to the mission and concern for overall public health and safety in preparing for and responding to potential pandemic related incidents relative to the COVID-19 virus; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of May 17-23, 2020 as “Emergency Medical Services Week” with the theme, EMS Strong: Ready Today. Preparing for Tomorrow, we encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

ADOPTED this 19th day of May 2020.

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