



Emergency Medical Services Week
May 17th – May 23rd, 2026

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service that plays a critical role in protecting the health, safety, and well-being of the citizens of Habersham County; 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 fills critical healthcare gaps by providing important out-of-hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, community paramedicine, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of dedicated emergency medical technicians, paramedics, and first responders who work tirelessly to provide lifesaving pre-hospital emergency care to the citizens and visitors of Habersham County; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated men and women of Habersham County Emergency Services demonstrate professionalism, compassion, and commitment while responding to emergencies and providing critical medical care under challenging circumstances; and

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

WHEREAS, the 2026 EMS Week theme, “Improving Outcomes, Together,” recognizes the collaborative efforts of EMS professionals, healthcare providers, public safety personnel, and community partners working together to improve patient outcomes and strengthen emergency medical care for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Habersham County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the week of May 17 through May 23, 2026, as **“EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK”** in Habersham County, Georgia, and encourages all citizens to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities in honor of the EMS profession and the essential service it provides to our community.

SO PROCLAIMED this 18th day of May, 2026.

Name and Title of Official