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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY GAYDOS, BARRAR, BERNSTINE, BIZZARRO, BROOKS,  
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CONKLIN, GAINNEY, MARSHALL, POLINCHOCK AND O'MARA,  
MARCH 4, 2020

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS, MARCH 4, 2020

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of May 17 through 23, 2020, as "Emergency  
2 Medical Services Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives respectfully  
4 acknowledges the readiness and accomplishments of emergency  
5 medical services providers, who are vital to public health and  
6 public safety; and

7 WHEREAS, Access to quality emergency care dramatically  
8 improves the survival and recovery rate following a sudden  
9 illness or injury; and

10 WHEREAS, Twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, the  
11 members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide  
12 lifesaving care to persons in need; and

13 WHEREAS, Whether career or volunteer, the members of  
14 emergency medical services teams engage in thousands of hours of

1 specialized training and continuing education to enhance their  
2 lifesaving skills; and

3 WHEREAS, Emergency medical services have grown to fill a gap  
4 by providing out-of-hospital care, including preventive  
5 medicine, follow-up and access to telemedicine; and

6 WHEREAS, The emergency medical services system consists of  
7 emergency physicians, emergency nurses, rescue personnel,  
8 emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical  
9 technicians, paramedics, prehospital nurses, prehospital  
10 physician extenders, air medical personnel, emergency medical  
11 responders, emergency vehicle operators, firefighters, police  
12 officers, educators, dispatchers, administrators and other out-  
13 of-hospital care providers; and

14 WHEREAS, "EMS Strong: Ready Today, Preparing for Tomorrow" is  
15 the theme of the 2020 "Emergency Medical Services Week"  
16 observance; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
18 week of May 17 through 23, 2020, as "Emergency Medical Services  
19 Week" in Pennsylvania.