



**PROCLAMATION**  
**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

**WHEREAS**, Sumter County Fire and EMS and The Villages Public Safety 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**, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, emergency medical dispatchers, emergency physicians, emergency nurses, educators, administrators and others; 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; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA, HEREBY PROCLAIMS:**

**The week of May 21-27, 2023, as:**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) WEEK**  
**With the theme, EMS STRONG: Where Emergency Care Begins**

**And encourages all Sumter County residents to recognize the practitioners and observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.**

**DONE AND PROCLAIMED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2023, in Sumter County, Florida.

Attest:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,  
SUMTER COUNTY

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Deputy Clerk

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Craig A. Estep  
Chairman