

**LOWER MILFORD TOWNSHIP
LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

To designate the Week of May 17 - 23, 2020, as Emergency Medical Services Week

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 at times 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, emergency medical services providers put themselves at significant risk of illness and injury on a daily basis; now exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic

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, Lower Milford Township, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 17-23, 2020 as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK.

We encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities