

**Proclamation**  
**Recognizing May 17 to May 23 as EMS Week 2026**

**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 a 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 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**, the official theme of EMS Week 2026 is “Improving Outcomes, Together,” which emphasizes the collaboration between EMS practitioners, 911 dispatchers, fire service, law enforcement, and health systems to enhance patient care, safety, and community wellness.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that I, Mayor Jason F. Cilento, and the Dunellen Borough Council recognize May 17 to May 23 as EMS Week in the Borough of Dunellen and encourage residents to join us in celebrating the many ways the Dunellen Rescue Squad serves our community with courage, compassion, and commitment each and every day.

  
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Jason F. Cilento, Mayor  
May 18, 2026