



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, emergency medical services (EMS) are a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of EMS 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 EMS system in Alabama consists of first responders, licensed EMS personnel, emergency medical dispatchers, EMS educators, EMS agency administrators, emergency physicians, trained members of the public and other out-of-hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of EMS teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 17 through 23, 2026, as

EMS Week

in the state of Alabama in recognition of these individuals and their contributions to our citizens. I encourage all Alabamians to join in this special observance in honor of the EMS profession and the essential service it provides.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 14th day of May 2026.

Kay Ivey
Kay Ivey, Governor