

Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Request

Date of Meeting: May 19, 2009

Date Submitted: May 12, 2009

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Benjamin H. Pingree, County Administrator
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Subject: Request Board Approval of a Proclamation Declaring May 17-23, 2009 to be Designated as Emergency Medical Services Week for Wakulla County

Statement of Issue:

This agenda item requests Board approval of a Proclamation declaring May 17-23, 2009 to be designated as Emergency Medical Services Week for Wakulla County.

Background:

May 17-23, 2009 has been designated National EMS Week, as a continuation of a 36 year tradition started by the American College of Emergency Physicians. In addition, May 17-23, 2009 is also designated as Florida's Emergency Medical Services Week by a proclamation issued by Governor Crist. Wakulla County Emergency Medical Services provides emergency medical care 24 hours per day, every day, to the citizens and visitors of Wakulla County, Florida; providing a service that makes every day safer for all citizens. A formal recognition is requested from the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners that proclaims May 17-23, 2009 as Emergency Medical Services Week, in concert with the State of Florida and the Nation.

Analysis:

Each year a week is set aside to honor the efforts of Emergency Medical Services personnel. This is the 36th year that EMS Week will be celebrated throughout the nation. The theme this year is "EMS: A Proud Partner in Your Community". Wakulla County EMS has served Wakulla County, Florida diligently and without falter since 1973.

Options:

1. Approve the Proclamation designating May 17-23, 2009 as Emergency Medical Services Week for Wakulla County.
2. Do not approve the Proclamation designating May 17-23, 2009 as Emergency Medical Services Week for Wakulla County.
3. Board Direction.

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Recommendation:

Option #1

Attachment:

1. Proclamation