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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 165

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

A RESOLUTION

To designate the week of May 21 through May 27, 2023, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians, in partnership with the American College of Emergency Physicians, has designated the week of May 21 through May 27, 2023, as national Emergency Medical Services Week and has selected the theme "Where Emergency Care Begins" for the week; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services are an essential public service and a vital part of the medical care continuum; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need twenty-four 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 preventive medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, prehospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out-of-hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, career and volunteer members of emergency medical services teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance and ensure their lifesaving skills; and

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WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating the week of May 21 through May 27, 2023, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Louisiana highlighting the theme, "Where Emergency Care Begins".

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate the week of May 21 through May 27, 2023, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Louisiana and does hereby encourage the citizens of Louisiana to observe the week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES