

MEMORANDUM

April 14, 2026

To: Alan Gibbs
Lamarcus Davis
Eddie Rowland
John Ambrose
Al Turner

From: Lorri Byrd

Subject: Central Ga Region 5 Emergency Medical Services Council Appointment

A letter from the Central Georgia Region 5 Emergency Medical Services Council is included in this agenda for the April 21, 2026 Board of Commissioners meeting.

The Central Georgia Region 5 Emergency Medical Services Council functions as the liaison between the Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma and the regional EMS system works to maintain and improve EMS quality across the 23 counties of Region 5 and provides recommendations on the operation of Emergency Response Zones.

Monroe County has two designated seats on the Council. Current representatives are Kristen Lyndall (2024-2027) and Matt Jackson (2023-2026). With Matt Jackson's term concluded the County is asked to either reappoint him or nominate a new representative. Mr. Jackson has met all attendance requirements and has actively participated during his term. Recommendation is to re-appoint Matt Jackson.

Regards,

Lorri Byrd



Central Georgia Region 5 Emergency Medical Services Council
1000 Indian Springs Dr.
Forsyth, GA 31029

March 31, 2026

Terry Cobb
Chairman

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Vice-Chair

Ralph Griffin, M.D.
Medical Director

Monroe County Board of Commissioners
38 West Main St.
Forsyth, GA 31029

Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of the Region 5 EMS Council, I am asking for an appointment from you for the Regional Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council to represent your county. The purpose of this Council is to:

- Serve as a liaison between the Office of EMS and Trauma and the regional EMS system; and
- Coordinate, facilitate the improvement of, and maintain a quality EMS system in the 23 counties of Region 5; and
- Serve as the local coordinating entity designated by the Georgia Department of Public Health to recommend the manner in which Emergency Response Zones in Region 5 function.

Monroe County has two (2) Representatives on this Council. Your current Representatives are **Kristen Lyndall, term 2024-2027** and **Matt Jackson, term 2023-2026**. Council bylaws require county representation of individuals selected by County Commissions in the counties comprised of Region 5; therefore, I am soliciting from you the name or reappointment of one (1) individual whom you wish to represent your county on this council for the **2026-2029 term**. Council By-laws require members to attend at least fifty percent (50%) of the scheduled council meetings.

Your current representative, **Matt Jackson**, has been involved in the Council since his last appointment and has met the attendance requirements.

Members of the Regional EMS Council should be knowledgeable and/or interested in the EMS system and represent a broad cross section of the region's citizens. The following is a list of categories, which you may wish to consider when recommending your representative:

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| •Public EMS Provider | •Consumer |
| •Private EMS Provider | •Emergency Physician |
| •EMT/Paramedic (non-supervisory) | •General Surgeon |
| •Specialty Care hospital representative | •911 Dispatch Center representative |
| •Hospital representative | •Law enforcement representative |
| •City government representative | •Emergency department nurse and/or trauma nurse |
| •County government representative | •Pediatrician |

Please forward the recommendation of your Commission to Michelle Archer, DPH Office of EMS and Trauma Region 5 EMS Director, along with a brief synopsis of the individual's qualifications along with his/her contact information on the attached form. **You may mail or email this information to the Region 5 Office.**

Please complete the attached form and return before **June 1, 2026**. Your participation in this effort is important to the provision of quality Emergency Medical Services to the citizens in your community, to the region, and to the state. I appreciate your cooperation and welcome you to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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PEACH
PULASKI
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FROM: Michelle Archer
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Michelle.archer@dph.ga.gov

RE: Region 5 EMS Council Nomination, Term 2026-2029

DATE: _____

Please nominate a *representative* for your county, please complete the following and email or mail to the address listed above:

The following person will serve on the Region 5 EMS Advisory Council for the next three-year term or vacant unexpired term.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Work Phone: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Brief synopsis of qualifications: _____

