

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COLUMBIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION 2023-12**

**IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING APRIL 9-15, 2023 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire or emergency medical services, and when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

**WHEREAS**, professional public safety telecommunicators are that vital link between the citizen or victim and the public safety provider who may apprehend a criminal, save their possessions from fire, save their life or the life of a loved one; and

**WHEREAS**, each year, thousands of dedicated public safety telecommunicators, better known as “dispatchers”, daily serve the citizens of the United States by answering their telephone calls for police, fire and emergency medical services to dispatch the appropriate assistance as quickly as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, the second full week of April is dedicated to public safety telecommunicators, with National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week being observed April 9 through 15 this year; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of all public safety communications officers/dispatchers/telecommunicators; now therefore

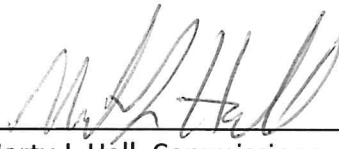
**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by this Board of Columbia County Commissioners that they shall sign a proclamation declaring April 9-15, 2023 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by this Board of Columbia County Commissioners that they shall sign a proclamation declaring April 9-15, 2023 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Columbia County Board of Commissioners, State of Washington, 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
COLUMBIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

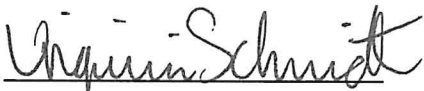
  
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Ryan R. Rundell, Chairman



Marty J. Hall, Commissioner



Jack G. Miller, Commissioner

Attest:   
Virginia Schmidt  
Clerk of the Board

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, each year the second full week of April is recognized by the International Association of Public Safety Communications Officials as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week; and

**WHEREAS**, emergencies can occur and any time that require police, fire or emergency medical services; and,

**WHEREAS**, when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservations of property; and

**WHEREAS**, the safety of our police officers, firefighters and paramedics is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone Columbia County Public Safety Communications (E911); and

**WHEREAS**, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our police officers, firefighters and paramedics by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Safety Telecommunicators in Columbia County have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and

**WHEREAS**, each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year; now therefore

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by this Board of Columbia County Commissioners that they hereby proclaim

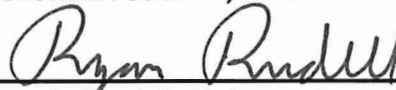
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### **NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK**

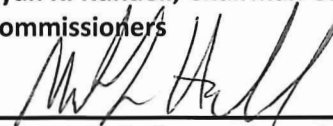
in Columbia County, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our citizens safe.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023, at Columbia County, Washington.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
COLUMBIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Ryan R. Rundell, Chairman County  
Commissioners



Marty J. Hall, County Commissioner



Jack G. Miller, County Commissioner

**ATTEST:**



Virginia Schmidt, Clerk of the Board