

County of Buncombe

Proclamation

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

Whereas emergencies can occur at 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 preservation of property; and,

Whereas the safety of our police officers and firefighters is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from those who telephone Buncombe County Public Safety Communications; and,

Whereas Public Safety Telecommunicators are the very first of the first responders and are most critical contact our community members have with emergency services; and,

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

Whereas Buncombe County Public Safety Telecommunicators have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, safety in our schools, 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 resolved that the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of **April 9 through 15, 2023** to be **National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week** in honor of the dedicated individuals whose diligence and professionalism keep our county and community members safe.



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Chairman, Buncombe County Board of Commissioners