## **PROCLAMATION**

## NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK APRIL 11-17, 2021

WHEREAS, public safety dispatchers and call takers are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time requiring law enforcement, fire suppression or emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of law enforcement, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

**WHEREAS**, the safety of the public and first responders is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information provided by public safety dispatchers and call-takers; and

WHEREAS, public safety dispatchers and call-takers are a vital link for our law enforcement and fire personnel by monitoring their activities by radio, providing information during fluid situations, and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, public safety dispatchers and call-takers have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, each public safety dispatcher and call-taker has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job; and

**WHEREAS,** the Spotsylvania County Board of Supervisors would like to recognize and honor the contributions of all Spotsylvania County Communications personnel in the public safety arena for their continued efforts to preserve public safety through our 9-1-1, non-emergency lines, and the dispatch of first responders to thousands of calls for service each year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Spotsylvania County Board of Supervisors that the week of April 11-17, 2021, be duly recognized as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week and honor the men and women of Spotsylvania County Communications, whose diligence and professionalism keep Spotsylvania County citizens, visitors and property safe.

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