

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Amateur radio operators are celebrating over a century of the miracle of the human voice broadcast over the airwaves; and

Whereas, Amateur radio has continued to provide a bridge between people, societies and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas; and

Whereas, Amateur radio operators have also provided countless hours of community services both in emergencies and to other local organizations throughout these decades; and

Whereas, these Amateur radio services are provided wholly uncompensated; and

Whereas, the State also recognizes the services amateur radio's people also provide to our many Emergency Response organizations, including Livingston County and Cohoctah Township; and

Whereas, these same individuals have further demonstrated their value in public assistance by providing free radio communications for local parades, bike-a-thons, walk-a-thons, fairs and other charitable public events; and

Whereas, the Township of Cohoctah recognizes and appreciates the diligence of these "hams" who also serve as weather spotters in the Skywarn program of the National Weather Service; and

Whereas, the American Radio Relay league (ARRL) is the national association for amateur radio in the USA; and

Whereas, the ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise and the participants of the Livingston County Amateur Radio Klub (WLARK) will take place on June 24-25, 2023 at the Cohoctah Township Park. Field day is recognized as a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the radio amateurs' skills and readiness to provide self-supporting communications without further infrastructure being required; now

Therefore, the Cohoctah Township Board, does hereby officially recognize and designate June 19-25, 2023 as Amateur Radio Week in the Township of Cohoctah, Livingston County, Michigan.

Signed _____ Title Township Supervisor

Mark Fosdick