A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF APRIL 9 THROUGH 15, 2023, AS NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, in 1991, Congressional resolution named the second full week in April of every year as National Telecommunicator Week; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time or place that require the assistance of police, fire, or emergency medical services; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, 9-1-1 is the Hotline for Help for people in emergency situations and the 9-1-1 call taker's voice is the first assurance that help is on the way; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, 9-1-1- professionals regularly meet the challenges of extremely stressful situations with calmness and efficiency; and
- § 5. 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
- § 6. WHEREAS, the safety of these emergency responders is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the 9-1-1 communications center; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers in Norman are the "9-1-1 Dispatchers: Everyday Superheroes," providing assistance before any other emergency services arrive on the scene; and
- § 8. WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers are a vital link for our emergency responders by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and insuring their safety; and
- § 9. WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers contribute substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of injuries and illnesses on a daily basis; and
- §10. WHEREAS, each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding, and professionalism during the performance of his or her daily job duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

§11. Do hereby proclaim the week of April 9 through 15, 2023, as National Telecommunicator Week in the City of Norman in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our City's citizens and emergency responders safe.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28th day of March, 2023.

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