

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the technology of 911 has relied primarily on traditional telephony, while the telecommunications industry has transitioned consumer phone service to internet protocol (IP) services that offer greater flexibility and better features than legacy phone services;

WHEREAS, the 911 industry has been laying the groundwork to transition 911 telephone service to IP telephony, using modern data standards, databases, and emergency service IP networks (ESINets), a system known as Next-Generation 911 (NG911);

WHEREAS, Next Generation 911 systems are now available for deployment in 911 jurisdictions throughout the United States and the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2021, Governor Greg Abbott signed HB 2911 which established the Next Generation 911 Service Fund and established a target date by September 1, 2025, for Texas jurisdictions to implement Next Generation 911; and

WHEREAS, Next Generation 911 will provide new 911 services to the public, including text-to-911, real-time-text, and multimedia calls, which will save lives, expand the availability of 911, improve emergency response outcomes, and save lives.

Now, THEREFORE, the Board of Managers of the Gulf Coast Regional 9-1-1 Emergency Communications District recognizes the hard work of staff in preparing for and executing the District's transition to NG911, and celebrates the Districts deployment of life-saving NG911 networks and technology.

Be it PROCLAIMED that as of May 20, 2025, the Gulf Coast Regional 9-1-1 Emergency Communications District has fully deployed Next Generation 911 for the benefit of our citizens and participating jurisdictions.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Managers of the Gulf Coast Regional 9-1-1 Emergency Communications District on the 15th day of July 2025.

APPROVED:

Board Chair, Gulf Coast Regional 9-1-1 Emergency Communications District

ATTEST: