



Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 2018, the State of Hawai'i police, fire, ambulance and ocean safety communications centers processed 1,034,193 calls from citizens in need of assistance; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators, often referred to as 9-1-1 dispatchers, are the first and most critical contact for citizens in emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators serve as a vital link for our law enforcement officers, firefighters, paramedics and lifeguards, monitoring their activities by radio and ensuring their safety with prompt and accurate communication that are crucial to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators are decisive, caring, supportive, and strong individuals who are calm during intense and emotional situations, focused when instructing callers needing medical attention, and attentive to details that may lead to the capture of criminals; and

WHEREAS, the skill and expertise of dedicated public safety telecommunicators can often mean the difference between life and death for citizens and first responders; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, established by the Congress of the United States in 1991, public safety telecommunicators are celebrated in the second full week of April each year;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 14-20, 2019 as

“PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK”

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in applauding and honoring public safety telecommunicators who are unsung heroes working daily to save lives.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fifth day of April 2019.



JOSHUA B. GREEN
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i