

THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

MAYOR DOMENIC J. SARNO

HOME OF THE BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME

Proclamation

Whereas,

In an emergency, most Americans depend on 9-1-1. Each day, more than half a million public safety communicators answer desperate calls for help, responding with services that save the lives and property of American citizens in need of assistance; and

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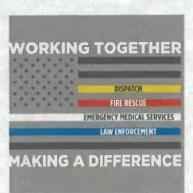
These dedicated men and women are more than anonymous voices on the telephone line. They are local police, fire, and medical professionals who use public safety telecommunications to quickly respond to emergency calls. They are also Federal public safety officials who use telecommunications for everything from drug interdiction to protecting forests to promoting conservation. We rely on their knowledge and professionalism as they make critical decisions, obtain information, and quickly dispatch needed aid; and

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America's public safety telecommunications serve our citizens daily in countless ways. The work of these "unseen first responders" is invaluable in emergency situations, and each of these dedicated men and women deserve our heartfelt appreciation. Americans place their trust in these individuals, not just this week, but every day of the year. This week is a time for a grateful Nation to show its appreciation and to recognize that our health, safety, and well-being are often dependent on the commitment and steadfast devotion of public safety telecommunications; and

Whereas,

Public Safety Telecommunicators of the Springfield, Massachusetts Communications Center have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients with each dispatcher exhibiting compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job. The City of Springfield and the Springfield Fire Department Office of Emergency Communications is proud to join with 911 dispatcher centers across the nation in recognizing National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.



Therefore, I, Domenic J. Sarno, Mayor of the City of Springfield, do hereby proclaim the week of

April 9 - 15, 2023 as

"National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week"



In the City of Springfield, and I strongly encourage every resident to be aware of this event and participate suitably in its observance.

Domenic J. Sarno

Mayor