THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 342 Session of 2024

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, MARCH 18, 2024

A RESOLUTION

1 2 3 4	Recognizing the week of April 14 through 20, 2024, as "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week" in Pennsylvania in honor of those whose diligence and professionalism keep our communities and residents safe.
5	WHEREAS, Emergencies that require emergency medical services,
6	fire and rescue or police assistance can occur at any time; and
7	WHEREAS, The prompt response of emergency medical personnel,
8	fire and rescue personnel and police officers is critical to the
9	protection of life and preservation of property when an
10	emergency occurs; and
11	WHEREAS, The three-digit number "9-1-1" has been designated
12	as the universal emergency number for citizens of the United
13	States and residents of this Commonwealth; and
14	WHEREAS, The safety of our emergency medical services
15	personnel, firefighters and police officers is dependent upon
16	the quality and accuracy of information obtained from residents
17	who call 911 communications centers; and

1 WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators, also known as 911 dispatchers, are the first and most critical contact residents 2 3 have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital 4 link for our emergency medical services personnel, firefighters 5 and police officers by monitoring their activities through radio 6 7 communication, providing them information and ensuring their 8 safety; and

9 WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators at 911

10 communications centers across this Commonwealth are an important 11 part of the emergency services team which provides medical care 12 to patients, performs fire and rescue services and protects and 13 serves communities through police services; and

14 WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators exhibit compassion, 15 understanding and professionalism during the performance of their duties, often in difficult situations; therefore be it 16 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the 18 week of April 14 through 20, 2024, as "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week" in Pennsylvania in honor of those whose 19 20 diligence and professionalism keep our communities and residents 21 safe.

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