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A RESOLUTION

Recognizing the week of April 9 through 15, 2023, as "National 1 Public Safety Telecommunicators Week" in Pennsylvania in 2 honor of those whose diligence and professionalism keep our communities and residents safe. 5 WHEREAS, Emergencies that require emergency medical services, fire and rescue or police assistance can occur at any time; and 6 7 WHEREAS, The prompt response of emergency medical personnel, fire and rescue personnel and police officers is critical to the 8 protection of life and preservation of property when an 9 10 emergency occurs; and 11 WHEREAS, The three-digit number "9-1-1" has been designated as the universal emergency number for citizens of the United 12 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 the quality and accuracy of information obtained from residents 16

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators, also known as 911

who call 911 communications centers; and

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- 1 dispatchers, are the first and most critical contact residents
- 2 have with emergency services; and
- 3 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 communication, providing them information and insuring their
- 7 safety; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators at 911
- 9 communications centers across this Commonwealth are an important
- 10 part of the emergency services team which provides medical care
- 11 to patients, performs fire and rescue services and protects and
- 12 serves communities through police services; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators exhibit compassion,
- 14 understanding and professionalism during the performance of
- 15 their duties, often in difficult situations; therefore be it
- 16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 17 week of April 9 through 15, 2023, as "National Public Safety
- 18 Telecommunicators Week" in Pennsylvania in honor of those whose
- 19 diligence and professionalism keep our communities and residents
- 20 safe.