
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY FARRY, TARTAGLIONE, KEARNEY, MARTIN, HUGHES,
VOGEL, CULVER, PHILLIPS-HILL, BREWSTER AND COSTA,
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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, MAY 17, 2024

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of April 14 through 20, 2024, as "National
2 Public Safety Telecommunications Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "National Public Safety Telecommunications Week"
4 began in 1994 when President Clinton signed Presidential
5 Proclamation 6667; and

6 WHEREAS, "National Public Safety Telecommunications Week" is
7 celebrated annually during the second week of April to recognize
8 the invaluable work of 911 dispatchers and workers, emergency
9 communications centers, public safety answering points, public
10 safety communications centers, emergency operations centers and
11 other public safety command centers; and

12 WHEREAS, Their work includes dispatching emergency responses,
13 assisting first responders with communication at incidents,
14 instructing first aid care over the phone to 911 callers and
15 comforting someone during the most stressful time of their life;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, This work requires 24/7, year-round service and can

1 be a difficult burden on the workers and their families; and

2 WHEREAS, Their work often involves dealing with the worst
3 moments of the lives of this Commonwealth's residents and
4 providing them with the help to deal with these crises; and

5 WHEREAS, The demand of emergency calls and crises can often
6 be overwhelming and unpredictable; and

7 WHEREAS, Though this work may be extremely demanding and
8 difficult, the rewards are immeasurable; and

9 WHEREAS, The workers' service and work is truly life changing
10 and the amount of lives saved and changed every year, month, day
11 or hour is incalculable; and

12 WHEREAS, Without the services they provide, the performance
13 of other first responders would be almost impossible to do; and

14 WHEREAS, Like most first responders, there are difficulties
15 in recruitment and retention of these workers; therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the week of April 14
17 through 20, 2024, as "National Public Safety Telecommunications
18 Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the Senate thank and recognize all of this
20 Commonwealth's emergency dispatchers and telecommunicators for
21 their invaluable service in saving lives.