

RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 25-102

Adopt Resolution recognizing April 13 through April 19, 2025) in Monterey County as **Public Safety Dispatchers Week......**)

WHEREAS, the second full week of April has been proclaimed as *National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week* by U.S. Congress, to recognize the dedicated professional commitment of public safety dispatchers nationwide; and

WHEREAS, thousands of dedicated public safety dispatchers serve the citizens of the United States every day, by answering emergency and non-emergency calls for assistance, and coordinating public safety field units; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers Week will recognize that all County of Monterey public safety dispatchers are an integral part of the County Emergency Service Delivery Team, who work seven days per week, twenty-four hours per day, and serve as the first critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, County of Monterey Emergency Communications Department Public Safety Dispatchers, Carmel-by-Sea Dispatchers, CALFIRE Monterey Fire Dispatchers, Presidio of Monterey Dispatchers, Fort-Hunter Liggett Dispatchers, Global Medical Response EMS Dispatchers, and the California Highway Patrol Monterey Dispatch Center Dispatchers are the vital link for our responders in the field (law, fire, and emergency medical services) by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information, and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, public safety dispatchers have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, public safety dispatchers, working in the County of Monterey representing County, City, State, and Federal Agencies, have collectively exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year, handling over 600,000 telephone calls, and generating more than 475,000 calls for police, fire and emergency medical service, to assure that police, fire, and medical field personnel provide a timely and well-informed response to a myriad of service requests by residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, hereby proclaims the week of April 13 through April 19, 2025, as Public Safety Dispatchers Week in the County of Monterey, in honor of public safety dispatchers, and commend them for their continued commitment and service to the residents of the County of Monterey.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 15th day of April 2025

Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez

Vice Chair Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

Supervisor Glenn Church

Supervisor Luis A. Alejo

Supervisor Kate Daniels