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RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING APRIL 14-20, 2019 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, an emergency can occur at any time that requires police, fire or emergency medical service personnel to respond; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life, preservation of property and safety of the public; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our police officers and firefighters is dependent on the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who contact emergency communications centers in Solano and Napa counties; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our residents have with emergency services. They are also the single vital link for our police officers and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and insuring their safety. They are the unseen first responders; and

WHEREAS, when a call comes in to a dispatch center lives can be saved. Public safety telecommunicators help bring babies into the world and they comfort and console residents during periods of grief; and

WHEREAS, each year during the second week in April, the telecommunications personnel in the public safety community are honored. It is a time to celebrate and thank those who dedicate their lives to serving the public. The weeklong celebration of public safety dispatchers was started in 1981 by Patricia Anderson of the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office, and later signed into law by then-President Bill Clinton in 1994.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognize National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week as a time to honor and thank our public safety dispatchers for their sacrifice and dedication to serving the public and keeping our residents and first responders safe.

Dated this 9th day of April, 2019

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ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwonian Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors

Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk