



**Resolution
of
The Board of Supervisors of Ventura County
PROCLAIMING
NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK
APRIL 14 - 20, 2019**

WHEREAS, EMERGENCIES CAN OCCUR AT ANYTIME, AND THE PROMPT RESPONSE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES IS CRITICAL TO THE PROTECTION OF LIFE AND THE PRESERVATION OF PROPERTY OF CITIZENS THROUGHOUT OUR NATION; AND

WHEREAS, PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS ARE THE FIRST AND MOST CRITICAL CONTACT THAT CITIZENS HAVE WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES; AND THESE HIGHLY TRAINED PROFESSIONALS ARE DEPENDED UPON TO GATHER THE ACCURATE INFORMATION THAT IS CRUCIAL IN INSURING THE SAFETY OF OUR CITIZENS AND EMERGENCY PERSONNEL; AND

WHEREAS, EACH YEAR THE PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS AND SUPERVISORS AT THE VENTURA COUNTY FIRE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER HANDLE APPROXIMATELY 212,832 TELEPHONE CALLS, INCLUDING 65,474 9-1-1 CALLS IN 2018; AND OUR PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS MANAGE EACH CALL WITH THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF SERVICE; AND

WHEREAS, THE HIGHLY TRAINED PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS AND SUPERVISORS OF THE VENTURA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATIONS CENTER HAVE CONTRIBUTED SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE SAFETY OF OUR CITIZENS AND FIREFIGHTERS BY OBTAINING DETAILED INFORMATION, MAKING CRITICAL DECISIONS, AND QUICKLY DISPATCHING AID IN TIMES OF EMERGENCY, OFTEN MAKING THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH; AND

WHEREAS, THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES HAVE ESTABLISHED THE SECOND FULL WEEK OF APRIL AS NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS PLEASED TO PROCLAIM APRIL 14-20, 2019 NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK, EXPRESSING THE APPRECIATION OF ALL CITIZENS FOR THE DILIGENT SERVICE PROVIDED BY OUR PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS AND SUPERVISORS, AND THE BOARD COMMENDS THESE PROFESSIONALS FOR THEIR COMPASSION, UNDERSTANDING AND DEDICATION.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONGRATULATES BREANNA BLANCHARD ON BEING SELECTED BY HER PEERS AND SUPERVISORS AS THE 2019 DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR FOR THE VENTURA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

PRESENTED ON THIS 9TH DAY OF APRIL 2019




CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
STEVE BENNETT, SUPERVISOR 1ST DISTRICT



LINDA PARKS, SUPERVISOR 2ND DISTRICT



KELLY LONG, SUPERVISOR 3RD DISTRICT



ROBERT O. HUBER, SUPERVISOR 4TH DISTRICT



JOHN C. ZARAGOZA, SUPERVISOR 5TH DISTRICT