

PROCLAMATION

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week has been observed in the United States since 1981; and

WHEREAS, this week allows citizens to express gratitude to all public safety personnel, including communications center personnel, 9-1-1 operators, dispatchers, technicians, trainers, and other telecommunications staff, who respond to emergency calls and ensure prompt assistance during crises to protect life and preserve property; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Emergency Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have when emergencies occur, contributing substantially to the suppression of fires, emergency medical treatment and the apprehension of criminals; and

WHEREAS, the services of Public Safety Emergency Telecommunicators is a “silent service” and their duties are seldom observed by the public; and

WHEREAS, each Public Safety Emergency Telecommunicator has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in us do hereby proclaim that the week of **April 12th - 18th, 2026** be known as

“NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK”

in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our county and citizens safe.

DULY PROCLAIMED this 7th day of **April 2026**.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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