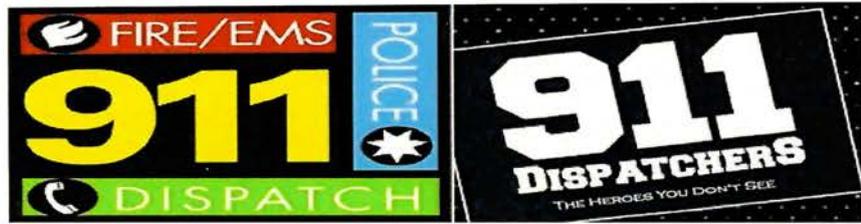




PROCLAMATION



National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week April 11 – 17, 2021

WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire or emergency medical services; 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 public safety; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our police officers, firefighters and paramedics is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained by Public Safety Telecommunicators of the City of DeKalb Emergency Communications Center; and

WHEREAS, Telecommunicators are the single vital link among our police officers, firefighters and paramedics by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, Telecommunicators of the City of DeKalb have contributed substantially to appropriate public safety response, the apprehension of criminals, the suppression of fires and the treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, each Telecommunicator has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their duties during the past year; and

WHEREAS, during this ongoing pandemic of COVID-19, our Telecommunicators have once again been the first line of defense in sending help to those in need; and

WHEREAS, the week of April 11-17, 2021 has been designated as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week by the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) and recognized nationally by proclamation of the United States Congress.

THEREFORE, I, Jerry Smith, Mayor of the City of DeKalb, Illinois do hereby declare local recognition and celebration of National Public Safety Telecommunicators week from April 11-17, 2021, in honor of the women and men whose diligence and professionalism help keep the City of DeKalb and its first responders informed of emergencies and safe from harm.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of DeKalb to be affixed this 12th day of April 2021.


JERRY SMITH, Mayor