BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK

WHEREAS: 9-1-1 is designated as the universal emergency telephone number in North America; and

WHEREAS: Citizens call 9-1-1 in emergency situations to request assistance from law enforcement, the local fire department, emergency medical professionals, or other appropriate emergency response entities; and

WHEREAS: In the event of an emergency, a quick response by police officers, firefighters, and paramedics is vital to the protection of life and the preservation of property; and

WHEREAS: Public safety telecommunicators are the primary contacts for those who dial 9-1-1 and often act as the first and most critical contact for those in need of assistance. The dedicated efforts of these individuals are essential to supporting effective emergency responses; and

WHEREAS: The well-being of our public safety officials often depends upon the range and accuracy of information obtained from those who call Georgia's 9-1-1 centers; and

WHEREAS: Public safety telecommunicators serve as a critical link between police officers, firefighters, and those requesting emergency assistance. By utilizing radio transmissions to monitor ongoing situations, public safety telecommunicators help to provide timely information while ensuring the safety of responding units; and

WHEREAS: Georgia's public safety telecommunicators have made substantial contributions to the apprehension of dangerous criminals, the suppression of fires, and the care of those in need of medical treatment, among other emergency response tasks; and

WHEREAS: Public Safety Telecommunicators Week gives us the opportunity to recognize public safety telecommunicators across The Peach State for their commitment to safeguarding the lives and property of Georgia citizens; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 14-20, 2019, as PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 12th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF