



# PROCLAMATION

## BOROUGH OF RED BANK

### PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK

**WHEREAS,** this week is a time to show our appreciation and to recognize that our health, safety, and well-being are often dependent on the commitment and steadfast devotion of Public Safety Telecommunicators, because emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire, emergency medical service, or other critical services; and

**WHEREAS,** when an emergency occurs the prompt response of law enforcement, firefighters, and medical personnel is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

**WHEREAS,** the safety of our police officers and firefighters is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Red Bank 911 Communications Center; and

**WHEREAS,** Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services. These dedicated men and women are the First Responders and are more than anonymous voices on the telephone line. They are local police, fire, and medical professionals who use public safety telecommunications to quickly respond to emergency calls; and

**WHEREAS,** Emergency responders rely on their knowledge and professionalism to make critical decisions, obtain information, and quickly dispatch needed aid. Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our police officers and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information, and ensuring their safety; and,

**WHEREAS,** Public Safety Telecommunicators at the Red Bank 911 Center have assisted with the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and treatment of patients. The work of these “unseen first responders” is invaluable in emergency situations, and each of these dedicated men and women deserves our heartfelt appreciation. Citizens place their trust in these individuals, not just this week, but every day of the year; and

**WHEREAS,** each Telecommunicator exhibits compassion, understanding, and professionalism during the performance of their job assisting those in need;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in recognition of all the men and women of 911 Dispatch Centers whose diligence and professionalism keep our citizens safe, I, William Portman, Mayor of the Borough of Red Bank, do hereby proclaim

**APRIL 14-20, 2024, AS 911 PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.



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William Portman, Mayor