**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Congress and the President of the United States have established the second week of April as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week; and

**WHEREAS,** professional telecommunicators perform a critical function when an emergency occurs requiring police, fire or EMS; and

**WHEREAS,** thousands of dedicated telecommunicators daily serve the citizens of the United States by answering their calls for police, fire and emergency medical services and by dispatching the appropriate assistance as quickly as possible; and

**WHEREAS,** professional telecommunicators are critical to our county's emergency response and homeland security services, dispatching law enforcement, firefighters, emergency medical services and other emergency responders 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

**WHEREAS**, professional telecommunicators in the 911 centers of the Clay County Sheriff's Office, Clay County Public Safety Department, Green Cove Springs Police Department and the Orange Park Police Department provide the crucial first contact with those in need of emergency assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, professional telecommunicators are not visible as the men and women who arrive on the scene of emergencies, but provide the vital link to public safety services as part of the first responder team.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida does hereby proclaim April 8-14, 2018 as "**PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK**"

**DULY ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida this 10th day of April, 2018.

## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

## ATTEST:

Gavin Rollins, Chairman

S. C. Kopelousos County Manager and Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners Mike Cella, Vice Chairman

**Diane Hutchings** 

Wayne Bolla

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