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

WHEREAS, thousands of dedicated telecommunicators serve the citizens of the United States daily 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 emergency responders 24 hours a day, seven days a week; 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; 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, in 2022, the four 911 dispatch centers in Clay County answered over 290,000 calls for service with over 93,000 of those calls being for 911 emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida, does hereby proclaim, April 9-15, 2023, as

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK IN CLAY COUNTY

and hereby acknowledges the hard work and dedication of these public safety professionals, and thanks them for their commitment to creating a better and safer world for all of us.

DULY ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, Florida this 11th day of April 2023.

ATTEST:	CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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