

Proclamation

911 PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK

APRIL 9-15, 2023

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 (Dispatchers), 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, 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 Westminster Police Department 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.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Chi Charlie Nguyen, Mayor of the City of Westminster, on behalf of Vice Mayor NamQuan Nguyen, and Council Members Amy Phan West, Carlos Manzo, and Kimberly Ho do hereby proclaim April 9-15, 2023 as 911 PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK in the City of Westminster in recognition of the men and women of Westminster Police Department 911 Dispatch Center whose diligence and professionalism keep our City and citizens safe.

Signed and Dated this 5th day of April 2023 by the City Council.

Chicking No. Chi Charlie Nguyen, Mayor NamQuan Nguyen, Vice Mayor, District 4 Amy Phan West, Council Member, District 1

Carlos Manzo, Council Member, District 2 Kimberly Ho, Council Member, District 3