## TOWN OF FAIRFAX PROCLAMATION National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week April 14-20, 2024

WHEREAS, emergencies that require police, fire or emergency medical services can occur at any time; and,

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and,

WHEREAS, the safety of our police officers, firefighters and paramedics is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who contact the Fairfax emergency communications center; and,

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and,

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our police officers, firefighters and paramedics by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and,

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators of the Fairfax Police Department have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and,

WHEREAS, each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfax Town Council of the Town of Fairfax declares the week of April 14 through 20, 2024, to be National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in the Town of Fairfax, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our city and citizens safe.



Signed this 1st day of May 2024	
Barbara Coler, Mayor of Fairfax	