



**PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY
TELECOMMUNICATOR'S WEEK
April 14 - 18, 2014**

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

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of police officers and firefighters 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 Santa Barbara Combined Communications Center; and

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

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

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers of the Santa Barbara 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HELENE SCHNEIDER, by virtue of the authority invested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby acknowledge and proclaim the week of **April 14th through 18th, 2014 as National Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week** in the City of Santa Barbara, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our city and citizens safe.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 15th day of April.

HELENE SCHNEIDER
Mayor

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