

CITY OF YAKIMA P R O C L A M A T I O N

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

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs it is the prompt response of law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical service providers that is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical service providers is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Yakima County's E911 Communications Center, known as SunComm; and

WHEREAS, emergency call-takers and dispatchers are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, emergency call-takers and dispatchers are the single vital link for our law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency medical service providers by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, emergency call-takers and dispatchers of SunComm have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, each emergency call-taker and dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding, professionalism, and displayed untiring efforts during their assigned shifts in the past year;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kathy Coffey, Mayor of the City of Yakima and on behalf of the Yakima City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of April 9-15, 2018 as

"NATIONAL TELE COMMUNICATORS WEEK"

in the City of Yakima, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our City and citizens safe.

Dated this 3rd day of April 2018

Kathy Coffey, Mayor