

Grand Junction

State of Colorado

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Grand Junction Regional Communication Center provides 9-1-1 service to all of Mesa County. The 50 employees serve over 150,000 residents and 2 million visitors annually. They also provide dispatch services to 23 public safety agencies within Mesa County; and

WHEREAS, 9-1-1 is nationally recognized as the number to call in an emergency to receive immediate help from police, fire, emergency medical services or other appropriate emergency response entities; and

WHEREAS, 9-1-1 was designated by Congress as the national emergency call number under the Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999 (Public Law 106-91); and

WHEREAS, a growing segment of the population, including the deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, and individuals with speech disabilities increasingly communicate with non-traditional text, video and instant messaging communications services and anticipate that these services will be able to connect directly to 9-1-1; and

WHEREAS, public safety communications professionals work under challenging and stressful circumstances; and

WHEREAS, public safety communications professionals are the first, first responders, providing critical support to the Nation's law enforcement, fire and rescue personnel.

Now, therefore, I, Phyllis Norris, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Grand Junction, do hereby proclaim the week of April 9 through April 15, 2017 as

“National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week”

in the City of Grand Junction and call upon all citizens to help recognize and support the goals and ideals of National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week; honor and recognize the importance and contributions of the Nation's public safety communications professionals; and encourage the people of the United States and our community to remember the value of the work performed by public safety communications professionals.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official Seal of the City of Grand Junction this 5th day of April, 2017.

Phyllis Norris
Mayor

