

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: In an emergency, most Arkansans depend on calling the emergency phone number 9-1-1. Each day, public safety telecommunications personnel answer desperate calls for help, and respond with services that save the lives and property of Arkansas citizens in need of assistance; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas's public safety telecommunications specialists serve our citizens daily in countless ways. The work of these "unseen first responders" is invaluable in emergency situations, and each of these dedicated men and women deserves our heartfelt appreciation; and

WHEREAS: Arkansans place their trust in these individuals, not just this week, but every day of the year. Now is an excellent opportunity to express appreciation and to recognize that our health, safety, and well-being are often dependent on the commitment and steadfast devotion of public safety telecommunicators; and

WHEREAS: The public safety dispatchers of Arkansas's police departments, county sheriff's offices, emergency services, and the State Police have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and response to medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS: These dispatchers exhibit compassion, understanding, and professionalism during the performance of their jobs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim April 12 through 18, 2015, as

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across the State, and I urge my fellow citizens to join me in honoring the men and women who work diligently and professionally to keep us safe.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 10th day of April, in the year of our Lord 2015.




Asa Hutchinson, Governor


Mark Martin, Secretary Of State