

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 telecommunicators answer desperate calls for help, responding 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. This is an excellent opportunity to show our 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: Public Safety Dispatchers of Arkansas 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 have exhibited compassion, understanding, and professionalism during the performance of their jobs in the past year;

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 10 through April 16, 2016, as

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS' WEEK

across the State of Arkansas, 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 19th day of January, in the year of our Lord 2016.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Asa Hutchinson", written over a horizontal line.

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mark Martin", written over a horizontal line.

Mark Martin, Secretary Of State