

**A Proclamation Declaring April 9, 2023 –April 15, 2023 Public Safety Telecommunications Week in POLK COUNTY, TEXAS**

**WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time requiring police, fire or emergency medical services; and**

**WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of appropriate personnel is critical to the protection of life and property; and**

**WHEREAS, the security of our public safety personnel is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who call 911; and**

**WHEREAS, Communications Officers are the first and most critical contact for our citizens with emergency services; and**

**WHEREAS, Communications Officers are a vital link for our police officers, firefighters, and first responders in monitoring their activities by radio, providing them with information and ensuring their safety; and**

**WHEREAS, Communications Officers have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and treatment of patients; and**

**WHEREAS, Communications Officers exhibit compassion, understanding, and professionalism while performing their duties.**

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Polk County Commissioner's Court duly assembled this 11th day of April, 2023, does hereby proclaim April 9<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as**

**PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK IN POLK COUNTY, TEXAS, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our community and citizens safe.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

JUDGE SYDNEY MURPHY

