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SENATE RESOLUTION

NO. 99

Introduced by Senator Stone

April 03, 2018

Relative to California Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SR 99, Stone.

WHEREAS, The telecommunications personnel in the public safety community work at local public safety answering points (PSAP) and 911 call centers throughout the state, serving the people of California 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, each day of every year; and

WHEREAS, Public safety telecommunicators often serve people at their lowest moments, during a crisis or emergency, giving comfort, direction, and hope; and

WHEREAS, Public safety telecommunicators are the unsung heroes who answer calls from those in danger and stay on the line until police arrive; who, when contacted by neighbors about local fires, remain at their post to direct incoming firetrucks; and who, with courage and calm, render these and countless other essential and lifesaving services; and

WHEREAS, In the United States, an estimated 240 million calls are made to 911 each year, all answered by these amazing individuals; and

WHEREAS, In 1981, Patricia Anderson, of the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office, originated the idea for a public safety telecommunicators week; and

WHEREAS, The second full week of April is now recognized nationwide as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, a week for thanking and recognizing public safety communicators throughout the county; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That the Senate recognizes the week of April 8 through April 14, 2018, as California Public Safety Telecommunicators Week and encourages all Californians to join the Senate in celebrating and thanking those public safety telecommunicators who have dedicated their lives to serving the public; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.