

STATE OF OREGON  
**PROCLAMATION**  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Several hundreds of dedicated telecommunication professionals answer nearly 2 million emergency calls a year and serve Oregonians and Oregon visitors 24-hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year; and
- WHEREAS:** Oregonians during the past year have endured numerous and ongoing disasters and rely on the dedication and professionalism of these telecommunicators who answer 9-1-1 emergency calls for law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services, then dispatch the appropriate assistance as quickly as possible; and
- WHEREAS:** These professionals are often the sole lifeline to our first responders in the field; and
- WHEREAS:** Skillful and experienced public safety communicators, who support emergency response and show devoted commitment every day, serve as a vital link between Oregonians and the public safety providers who save lives, protect property and apprehend criminals; and
- WHEREAS:** The critical functions performed by professional telecommunicators also include those related to operations performed by federal, state, local and Tribal government agencies to include Emergency Management, highway safety, and search and rescue; and
- WHEREAS:** Public safety associations and other organizations from the US and Canada have set aside a week in April to recognize telecommunicators and their crucial role in the protection of life and property.

**NOW,**

**THEREFORE:** I, Tina Kotek, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim April 13-19, 2025 to be

**NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK**

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day, March 20, 2025.



Tina Kotek, Governor

Tobias Read, Secretary of State