

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 out-of-state visitors 24-hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year; and

WHEREAS: Oregonians during the past year have experienced numerous and ongoing disasters and emergencies 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 telecommunicators, 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 keep public safety; 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

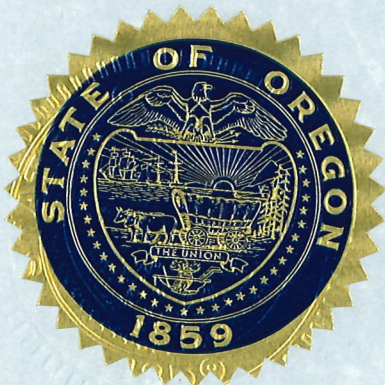
Public safety associations and other organizations from the US and Canada have set aside the week of April 12th to April 18th, 2026, to recognize public safety telecommunicators and their crucial role in the protection of life and property.

**NOW,
THEREFORE:** I, Tina Kotek, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim April 12th-18th to be

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS 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 26, 2026.



Handwritten signature of Tina Kotek in black ink.

Tina Kotek, Governor

Handwritten signature of Tobias Read in black ink.
Tobias Read, Secretary of State