



Proclamation

WHEREAS, residents of Sparks called 911 or the non-emergency dispatch for help in emergencies and for other assistance over 170,000 times in 2019; and

WHEREAS, our Emergency Communications Dispatchers are the first contact for a person in crisis and are knowledgeable, highly trained employees who work closely with police, fire and emergency medical personnel to gather vital information and dispatch public safety assistance, often making the difference between life and death; and

WHEREAS, Sparks residents enjoy a high standard of public safety because of the Emergency Communications personnel who apply their expertise in dispatching help to ensure public safety; and

WHEREAS, our Emergency Communications Dispatchers are among more than 500,000 telecommunications specialists who work daily to protect the public and promote public safety across our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD E. SMITH, Mayor of the City of Sparks, Nevada, do hereby proclaim April 12-18, 2020 as:

“PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK”

and join with the City Council in acknowledging and thanking our Public Safety Dispatch Supervisors: Cherie Terry, Maureen Dyette, Mary Holbrook, David Brown and Lydia McCoy; and Dispatchers: Lisa Buckles, Shelley Burkhart, Denise Wagner, Mary Hail, Lori Howard, Stephanie Buck, Mieka McGhin, Christopher Luciano, Amy Moore, Shirley Campbell, Alicia Mervau and Christian Hatch.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sparks, Nevada to be affixed April 13, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald E. Smith".

RONALD E. SMITH, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa Hunderman".

LISA HUNDERMAN, City Clerk

