



City of Woodland

REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: April 15, 2008

SUBJECT: Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition of National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

Report in Brief

The City Council is asked to proclaim April 14-19, 2008 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in Woodland to honor the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our community and citizens safe.

Staff recommends that the City Council proclaim April 14-19, 2008 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

Background

Each year, the second full week of April is dedicated nationwide to the men and women who serve as public safety telecommunicators. It was originally introduced in Congress in 1991 to acknowledge the Public Safety Dispatchers who are responsible for the safety of police officers, firefighters and paramedics dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens' reports. Public Safety Dispatchers are the sole critical link for law enforcement and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio and providing them information. The Public Safety Dispatchers for the Woodland Police and Fire Departments have contributed significantly to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fire and treatment of patients. They have each done their job with compassion, knowledge, and proficiency.

Fiscal Impact

This action has no fiscal impact.

Public Contact

This action was coordinated with the Yolo Emergency Communications Agency (YECA) of Yolo County.

Posting of the City Council agenda.

Recommendation for Action

Staff recommends that the City Council issue a Proclamation declaring April 14-19, 2008 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

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Attachment: Proclamation of Appreciation and Recognition of National Public Safety Telecommunications Week.

**CITY OF WOODLAND PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION AND RECOGNITION OF
NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK**

- WHEREAS,** emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire, or emergency medical services; and
- WHEREAS,** when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of police officers, firefighters, and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and
- WHEREAS,** the safety of police officers and firefighters is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Yolo Emergency Communications Agency; and
- WHEREAS,** Public Safety Dispatchers are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and
- WHEREAS,** Public Safety Dispatchers are the single vital link for our police officers and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information, and ensuring their safety; and
- WHEREAS,** Public Safety Dispatchers for the City of Woodland Police and Fire Departments have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fire, and treatment of patients; and
- WHEREAS,** each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding, and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year; and
- NOW THEREFORE,** be it resolved the City Council of the City of Woodland declares the week of April 14-19, 2008 to be National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in Woodland in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our community and citizens safe.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 20____

David M. Flory, Mayor

Marlin "Skip" Davies, Vice Mayor

Jeff W. Monroe, Council Member

Art Pimentel, Council Member

William L. Marble, Council Member