



WHEREAS, emergencies in Gaston County can occur at anytime that require law enforcement, fire or emergency medical services; and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County 911 Telecommunications are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and,

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of Gaston County law enforcement officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and the preservation of property; and,

WHEREAS, the safety of our law enforcement officers, firefighters and paramedics is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Gaston County 911 Communications Center; and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our law enforcement officers, firefighters and paramedics, by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County Telecommunicators have exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year; and,

WHEREAS, the second full week in April has been set aside to recognize public safety telecommunications personnel and their crucial role in the protection of life and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners proclaims April 12-18, 2026 as

### ***PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK***

in Gaston County to honor the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our County and citizens safe.

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To be Adopted the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of April 2026



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## Police Department Board Action

File #: 26-132

Commissioner Brown - Police Department/Sheriff's Office - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of April 12-18, 2026 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

### STAFF CONTACT

S. M. Zill, Chief of Police - Gaston County Police Department  
Sheriff Chad Hawkins - Sheriff's Office

### BACKGROUND

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week is held annually during the second week of April to honor telecommunications personnel for their commitment, service and sacrifice.

### POLICY IMPACT

N/A

### ATTACHMENTS

Proclamation

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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