WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time that requires police services; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our police officers is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the North Port Police Communications Center; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our police officers by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information, and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators of the North Port Police Department have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals; and

WHEREAS, each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year.

NOW, *THEREFORE*, we, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 14th through April 20th, 2024, as

"National Public Safety Telecommunications Week"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 4th day of April 2024.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

Alice White, Mayor

Phil Stokes, Vice-Mayor

Debbie McDowell, Commissioner



Barbara Langdon, Commissioner

Pete Emrich, Commissioner

Heather Faust, City Clerk

