

Proclamation

presented for'

National Bublic Safety Telecommunicator's Week

April 10-16, 2005

Whereas, emergencies can occur at anytime 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 our police officers and firefighters is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Long Beach Police and Fire Communications Centers; and

Whereas, Public Safety Dispatchers are the single vital link for our police officers and firefighters by monitoring their radio activity, providing them with information, and insuring their safety; and

Whereas, Public Safety Dispatchers of the Long Beach Police and Fire Departments have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, treatment of patients, suppression of fires and care for the environment; and

Whereas, each Public Safety Dispatcher of the Long Beach Police and Fire Departments has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year;

Now, Cherefore, I, Beverly O'Neill, Mayor of the City of Long Beach, on behalf of the Long Beach City Council, do hereby proclaim April 10-16, 2005 to be National Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week as the time to honor the men and woman, the "first responders," whose diligence and professionalism keep our city and citizens safe.

Beverly O'Neill MAYOR

Dated: April 12, 2005