

# Whereas

*Whereas,* emergencies requiring police, fire, or medical services occur at any time; and

*Whereas,* prompt police, fire, or medical response is critical to the protection of life and the preservation of property; and

*Whereas,* Public Safety Telecommunicators of the Bureau of Emergency Communications (BOEC) are the first contact for our community's calls for help for emergency services; and

*Whereas,* BOEC Public Safety Telecommunicators are professionals with expertise in medical, fire, police, and now Portland Street Response dispatch protocols; and

*Whereas,* BOEC Public Safety Telecommunicators monitor police and fire activity by radio, thus ensuring first responder safety and providing a vital link of information; and

*Whereas,* we are grateful for the important, and often life-saving work accomplished by BOEC Public Safety Telecommunicators;

*Now, therefore,* I, Ted Wheeler, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim the week of April 11<sup>th</sup>-April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as

*Public Safety Telecommunicators Appreciation Week*

In Portland and encourage all residents to observe this day.

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Proclaim April 11-April 17, 2021 to be  
Safety Telecommunicators Appreciation Week  
(Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Mapps)

**April 14, 2021**  
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**MARY HULL CABALLERO**  
**Auditor of the City of Portland**

By *Megan Lehman*  
Deputy

Commissioners voted as follows (Yea or Nay)

Rubio -  
Ryan -  
Hardesty -  
Mapps -  
Wheeler -