PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire, medical, and emergency mental health services; and

WHEREAS, When an emergency occurs, the prompt response of first responders is critical—without first responders being dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from the City of Des Moines Emergency Communications Center Public Safety Telecommunicators; and

WHEREAS, As the first contact callers have when they call 911 with an emergency, Public Safety Telecommunicators provide callers with lifesaving instructions and dispatch the appropriate resources to meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators have contributed substantially to the prevention of crime, protection of property, preservation of life, and excellent treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, The City of Des Moines joins in the national recognition of Public Safety Telecommunicators who exhibit compassion, understanding, and professionalism in the performance of their duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, T. M. FRANKLIN COWNIE, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE RESIDENTS OF DES MOINES, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF APRIL 10-17, 2022, AS:

“NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK”

AND I CALL UPON THE RESIDENTS OF DES MOINES TO HONOR THE TELECOMMUNICATORS WHOSE DILIGENCE AND PROFESSIONALISM KEEP THE CITY OF DES MOINES RESIDENTS AND VISITORS SAFE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HERETO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA TO BE AFFIXED THIS FOURTH DAY OF APRIL TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-TWO.

T. M. FRANKLIN COWNIE, MAYOR
CITY OF DES MOINES