



PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING 9-1-1 TELECOMMUNICATORS AND CALL TAKERS AS FIRST RESPONDERS

WHEREAS, the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority is the Public Safety Answering Point and Emergency Dispatch Center for the City of Las Cruces, the Village of Hatch, the Town of Mesilla, the City of Sunland Park, the City of Anthony, NM and Dona Ana County, and

WHEREAS, The Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority 911 Telecommunicators and Call Takers are trained in Law Enforcement, Fire and Emergency Medical Dispatch, qualifying them to offer a variety of potentially lifesaving instructions over the telephone until other First Responders arrive on scene, and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority 911 Telecommunicators and Call Takers gave medical guidance to nearly 25,000 callers. Dispatched over 200,000 Law Enforcement calls and nearly 36,000 fire calls, and

WHEREAS, Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority 911 Telecommunicators have received recognition for their roles in saving the lives of individuals who seek help by calling 9-1-1, as well as watching out for our public safety field responders, and

WHEREAS, Public Safety agencies throughout Dona Ana County agencies consider our 911 Telecommunicators and Call Takers "the first, First Responders," as their information and instructions are critical to keeping our citizens and our field units safe, and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress is considering the 911 Saves Act, which would recognize 911 Telecommunicators as First Responders, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Board of Trustees support the 9-1-1 Saves Act and believe that 9-1-1 Telecommunicators have earned and deserve recognition as First Responders, and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and the Board of Trustees believes that First Responder recognition of our 9-1-1 Telecommunicators will encourage other New Mexico Cities and Counties to similarly recognize their 9-1-1 Telecommunicators as first responders and encourage Congress to move forward with passing the 9-1-1 Saves Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The Governing Body of the City of Anthony, New Mexico identifies; THAT, Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority 9-1-1 Emergency Telecommunicators and Call Takers are recognized as City of Anthony First Responders.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 15TH DAY OF APRIL, 2020.


Diana Murillo-Trujillo, Mayor



ATTEST:



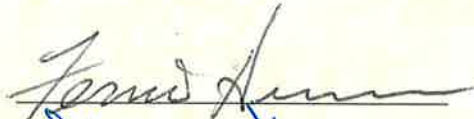
Esther Motongo, City Clerk

City of Anthony Governing Body

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Pro Tem, Fernie Herrera

YES NO




Trustee Gloria Gameros

YES NO



Trustee Elva Flores

YES NO



Trustee Javier Silva

YES NO

