WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time 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 Grand Prairie Emergency 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 of the Grand Prairie Emergency Communications Center have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron Jensen, on behalf of the City Council and the citizens of Grand Prairie, Texas, do proclaim the week of April 9-15, 2017, as

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

in the City of Grand Prairie, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our city and citizens safe.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, on this 4th day of April, 2017.

Ron Jensen Mayor