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SHERIFF GOLDEN AND THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS COMMEMORATE PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK

Freehold: Sheriff Shaun Golden and the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders are acknowledging the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office Communications Division's Public Safety Telecommunicators by commemorating National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

"This week is a great opportunity to say thank you to all the public safety telecommunicators for their hard work and commitment in maintaining public safety," said Sheriff Golden. "These dedicated men and women play a critical role in saving lives, and all too often that work goes unnoticed."

To celebrate the week, which is being held from April 10 through April 16, Freeholder Lillian G. Burry presented a proclamation to the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, recognizing the PSTs, at the most recent Board of Chosen Freeholder meeting. SPST Sharon Princing, Freehold, and PST James Clanton, Neptune City, accepted the proclamation on behalf of the Communications Division. The Monmouth County 9-1-1 Communications Division which is staffed with 101 public safety telecommunicators, provides 9-1-1 services to 50 municipalities and dispatches for 111 agencies which include police, fire and EMS.

"These men and women do an exceptional job serving Monmouth County 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and deserve much credit for their dedication and professionalism," said Freeholder Lillian G. Burry, liaison to the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office.

In 2015, the center received a total of 607,949 calls, on average, 1,660 calls are received per day.

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**SHERIFF GOLDEN AND THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
COMMEMORATE PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK**

"Our public safety telecommunicators deserve a great deal of acknowledgement for their continued efforts," said Sheriff Golden. "Without their commitment, police officers, firefighters and EMTs across Monmouth County would not be able to perform their daily duties in a safe and effective manner."

In 1991, Congress proclaimed the second week in April as the nationally recognized week of National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, recognizing the crucial role of public safety telecommunications personnel.

The presentation can be seen in its entirety on the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office Facebook Page.

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