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, firefighters and emergency medical services personnel is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the 911 communications centers in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators provide the single vital link for our police officers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians by monitoring their activities via radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators of the State of Idaho have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, each telecommunicator has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism in performance of their job in the past year;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 12-18, 2015 to be

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK

in Idaho, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism help to keep our State and citizens safe.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 12th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty fifth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY
SECRETARY OF STATE