



Tohono O'odham Nation
Office of the
Chairman and Vice Chairwoman

Ned Norris Jr. Wavalene M. Saunders
Chairman Vice Chairwoman



PROCLAMATION

Proclamation Declaring April 11 – 17, 2021
“Public Safety Telecommunications Week”

WHEREAS, each year, the second full week of April is dedicated to the men and women who serve as Public Safety Telecommunicators; and

WHEREAS, emergencies that can occur at any time require police, fire or emergency medical services;

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of police officers, firefighters, and paramedics are critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our police officers and firefighters are dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Tohono O'odham Police Department, Public Safety Communications; and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation Public Safety Dispatchers are a vital link between citizens and victims; we rely on their knowledge to obtain vital information, make critical decisions, and to quickly dispatch needed aid; and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation Public Safety Communicators have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and treatment of patients; and

WHEREAS, the Tohono O'odham Nation Public Safety Communicators serve the public in countless ways 24 hours a day, 365 days a year without due recognition by the beneficiaries of their services

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me by the constitution and laws of the Tohono O'odham Nation, I do hereby proclaim the week of April 11, 2021 as Public Safety Telecommunications Week. I urge all members to observe this week with appropriate acknowledgement in honor of all emergency dispatchers and other communications specialists both professional and volunteer, who help make the Tohono O'odham Nation a better and safer place to live and work.

Dated this 12 *day of April 2021*

Ned Norris Jr., Chairman
Tohono O'odham Nation

Wavalene Saunders, Vice-Chairwoman
Tohono O'odham Nation