



**NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK
APRIL 13 - 19, 2014,
IN ASSOCIATION WITH NATIONAL 9-1-1 EDUCATION MONTH**

- WHEREAS: In 1967, the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice recommended that a single number should be established nationwide for reporting emergency situations. One year later, in 1968, the American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T) announced that it would establish the digits 9-1-1 as the emergency code; and
- WHEREAS: The 9-1-1 system is the connection between the eyes and ears of the public and the emergency response system in the United States and is often the first to know of emergencies of all magnitudes making 9-1-1 a significant Homeland Security Asset; and
- WHEREAS: In 1986, the City of Roswell "went live" with our first 9-1-1 system. Roswell 9-1-1 Center currently has 23 dedicated personnel consisting of Communications Officers, Training Officers, Management and a Georgia Crime Information Center; 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 City of Roswell E911 Communications Center; and
- WHEREAS: Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first step and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services and often provide a life-line to the caller where seconds and minutes matter; and
- WHEREAS: The City of Roswell's 9-1-1 Staff is proud to support their Mission Statement in their everyday duties: *Our dedicated employees provide excellent service utilizing life-saving instructions through best practices in the Public Safety Communications industry.*

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jere Wood, Mayor of the City of Roswell, Georgia hereby declares the week of April 13 - 19, 2014 to be National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in Roswell, Georgia, and ask all of our citizens to acknowledge and honor the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our city and citizens safe.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of April, 2014.

MAYOR JERE WOOD