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Subject: Request for Proclamation of National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week 2024

Good morning Mayor D'Eon,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing on behalf of OPSEU/SEFPO Local 449, to request that the Town of Deep River consider proclaiming the week of April 14-20, 2024, as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week (NPSTW).

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week is an annual event that honors the men and women who serve as public safety telecommunicators, including the dedicated Ambulance Communications Officers (ACOs) at the Renfrew Central Ambulance Communications Centre (CACC). These professionals are the first point of contact in emergencies and play a crucial role in the response of police, fire, and emergency medical services.

Renfrew CACC, serving an area of over 16,000 square kilometers, is a vital part of our community's emergency response system. The ACOs' expertise and dedication ensure the safety and well-being of our residents and the effective coordination of our emergency services.

In recognition of their unwavering commitment and significant contributions to our community, we believe it is important to officially acknowledge and celebrate their hard work and dedication during NPSTW. A proclamation from the Town would be a meaningful gesture of appreciation and support for these vital members of our public safety infrastructure.

Attached to this email, you will find a sample proclamation and a press release from our union that further highlight the critical role of Ambulance Communications Officers. These documents can serve as a reference for the council's consideration.

We kindly request that this proclamation be placed on the agenda for the next council meeting. If needed, I am available to discuss this request further and provide any additional information required.

Thank you for considering our request to honor these unsung heroes of our community. We look forward to the possibility of partnering with the Town to recognize the invaluable service of our Ambulance Communications Officers during National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

Regards,
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