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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF PERQUIMANS COUNTY 911 DISPATCHERS

WHEREAS, in September of 2021, U.S. Representatives Norma J. Torres and Brian Fitzpatrick announced that their 9-1-1- SAVES Act passed the House as part of the Fiscal Year 2022 National Defense Authorization Act. The 9-1-1- SAVES Act is bipartisan legislation to reclassify 911 dispatchers from "Office and Administrative Support" to "Protective Service Occupations" in the Office of Management and Budget's Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) catalog.

WHEREAS, 911 dispatchers are the first line of response during an emergency, and they deserve to be classified in a way that recognizes that their work is on par with the work of other public servants classified as first responders; and

WHEREAS, Senator Richard Burr introduced the reclassification bill in the Senate, where it remained; and

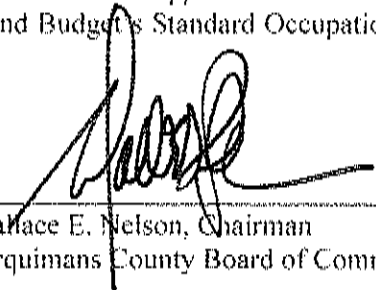
WHEREAS, 911 dispatchers are working with elected officials to re-introduce this legislation with the next Congress, and local support will assist this effort; and

WHEREAS, the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners is in support of such a legislative change;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PERQUIMANS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

That the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners is in support of bipartisan legislation to reclassify 911 dispatchers from "Office and Administrative Support" to "Protective Service Occupations" in the Office of Management and Budget's Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) catalog.

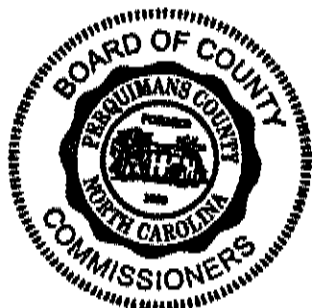
Adopted this the 6th day of March, 2023.


Wallace E. Nelson, Chairman
Perquimans County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Frank Heath, Deputy Clerk to the Board

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Perquimans County's Vision:

To be a community of opportunity in which to live, learn, work, prosper and play.