## RESOLUTION 2025-10 DELAWARE COUNTY COUNCIL

## A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS ("HAMS") AND THEIR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Amateur radio operators are celebrating over a century of the miracle of the human voice broadcast over the airwaves; and

WHEREAS, Amateur radio continues to serve as a bridge among peoples, societies, and nations, fostering friendships, the sharing of ideas, and mutual understanding; and

WHEREAS, Amateur radio operators have generously contributed countless hours of community service, responding selflessly in times of emergency and supporting local organizations over the decades; and

WHEREAS, These vital services provided by amateur radio operators are performed wholly on a volunteer basis, without compensation; and

WHEREAS, The Delaware County Council (the "Council") recognizes and values the contributions of amateur radio operators to our emergency response organizations, including the American Red Cross, FEMA, and numerous other agencies; and

WHEREAS, These same individuals continue to demonstrate their public service commitment by providing free radio communications in support of parades, bike-a-thons, walka-thons, fairs, and a wide array of charitable public events; and

WHEREAS, The Council particularly acknowledges and appreciates the dedication of these hams, many of whom also serve as trained weather spotters within the National Weather Service's SKYWARN® program; and

WHEREAS, The American Radio Relay League ("ARRL") serves as the leading organization for amateur radio operators across the United States; and

WHEREAS, The ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise, to be held on June 28-29, stands as a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the skills and readiness of amateur radio operators to provide independent, reliable communications without reliance on existing infrastructure;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council, does hereby proclaim appreciation for the extraordinary dedication, service, and contributions of amateur radio operators, and encourages all citizens to recognize and celebrate the vital role they continue to play in our community and beyond.

This resolution shall become effective upon the date of passage.

ADOPTED BY THE DELAWARE COUNTY COUNCIL THIS <u>A</u> I DAY OF	
May, 2025.	Murrito
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