

SPONSOR: Rep. Smyk on behalf of all Representatives

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13

## RECOGNIZING JUNE 2019 AS AMATEUR RADIO MONTH IN DELAWARE.

1	WHEREAS, Amateur Radio Operators are celebrating over a century of the miracle of the human voice broadcast
2	over the airwaves; and
3	WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has continued to provide a bridge between peoples, societies and countries by
4	creating friendships and the sharing of ideas; and
5	WHEREAS, Amateur Radio Operators have also provided countless hours of community services both in
6	emergencies and to other local organizations throughout these decades; and
7	WHEREAS, these Amateur Radio services are provided wholly uncompensated; and
8	WHEREAS, the State also recognizes the services Amateur Radio's people also provide to our many Emergency
9	Response organizations, including Delaware Emergency Management Agency, Delaware State Police, our three Counties,
10	several hospital organizations, the Division of Public Health, and the Delaware Electric Cooperative; and
11	WHEREAS, these same individuals have further demonstrated their value in public assistance by providing free
12	radio communications for local parades, bike-a-thons, walk-a-thons, fairs and other charitable public events; and
13	WHEREAS, the State of Delaware recognizes and appreciates the diligence of these "Hams" who also serve as
14	weather spotters in the Skywarn program of the National Weather Service; and
15	WHEREAS, the ARRL is the leading organization for Amateur Radio in the USA; and
16	WHEREAS, the ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise will take place on June 22-23, 2019 and is a 24 hour
17	emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the Radio Amateurs' skills and readiness to provide self-supporting
18	communications without further infrastructure being required.;
19	NOW, THEREFORE:
20	BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 150th General Assembly of the State of Delaware that
21	we do hereby officially recognize and designate June 16-23 as Amateur Radio Week.