



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

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

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has continued to provide a bridge between people, societies and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas;

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio Operators have also provided countless hours of community services both in emergencies and to other local organizations throughout these decades;

WHEREAS, these Amateur Radio's services are provided wholly uncompensated;

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina also recognizes the services Amateur Radio's people also provide to our many Emergency Response organizations;

WHEREAS, these same individuals have further demonstrated their value in public assistance by providing free radio communications for local parades, bike-a-thons, fairs and other charitable public events;

WHEREAS, the residents of Greenville recognize and appreciate the diligence of these "hams" who also serve as weather spotters in the Skywarn program of the United States Government of Weather Bureau;

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio once again proved its undisputed relevance in the modern world in 2005 by providing emergency communications when other systems failed in the devastation of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in the United States of America and in the tsunami catastrophe overseas;

WHEREAS, the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) is the leading organization for Amateur Radio in the United States of America; and


WHEREAS, the AARL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise will take place on June 26-27, 2011 and is a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the Radio Amateurs' skills and readiness to provide self-supporting communications without further infrastructure being required.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 19-26, 2011 as

AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

in Greenville.

This 7th day of June, 2011.


Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor