

Executive Proclamation

WHEREAS, amateur radio, also known as "ham radio," has proven to be an essential means of communication, particularly during emergencies, natural disasters, and public service events when other systems fail; and

WHEREAS, amateur radio operators, licpensed by the Federal Communications Commission, dedicate themselves to public service by providing emergency communication support for communities and first responders; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, one of the oldest amateur radio clubs in the United States and the longest-standing club affiliated with the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), has a deep-rooted tradition of community service, technical education, and emergency preparedness; and

WHEREAS, each year, Amateur Radio Week presents an opportunity to highlight the vital role of amateur radio across our nation, and locally, to recognize the over 100 FCC-licensed members of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club and countless other operators across Milwaukee County for their volunteerism, public service, and technical expertise; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club will participate in ARRL Field Day on Saturday, June 28 and Sunday, June 29, 2025, at Kettle Moraine State Park to demonstrate emergency communication capabilities, educate the public, and engage in a nationwide exercise in communications readiness, with this year's theme, "Radio Connects," emphasizing how amateur radio bridges distances and cultivates community; now, therefore

I, DAVID CROWLEY, County Executive of Milwaukee County, do hereby declare June 22-29, 2025, to be

Amateur Radio Week

across Milwaukee County, encouraging all residents to recognize the important contributions of amateur radio operators and learn more about this valuable hobby and public service.



David Crowley Milwaukee County Executive