



**FIRST RESPONDER NETWORK AUTHORITY**

**BOARD RESOLUTION 92**

**Expression of Thanks for the Services of Sue Swenson as the Chair of the First Responder Network Authority Board**

August 13, 2018

WHEREAS, the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (Act) permits the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet Authority), an independent authority within the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), to "exercise, through the actions of its Board, all powers specifically granted by the provisions of this subtitle, and such incidental powers as shall be necessary;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Commerce selected Sue Swenson to serve as Chair of the FirstNet Authority Board for a two-year term in August 2014, and reappointed Sue Swenson as Chair of the Board for a second, consecutive, two-year term in August 2016;

WHEREAS, as Chair, Sue Swenson has served with great diligence, skill, and enthusiasm, and her exemplary leadership and expertise as a telecommunications and technology executive have been invaluable to the Board;

WHEREAS, as Chair, Sue Swenson's efforts helped guide the Board and the organization as it evolved from a small start-up to a high-functioning government agency; her insights and experience helped to navigate the complex challenges of standing up a nationwide wireless broadband network;



WHEREAS, as Chair, Sue Swenson has shown tireless commitment and drive for public safety, and played a critical role — from initial implementation of a Strategic Program Roadmap to the development and award of a comprehensive network contract;

WHEREAS, as Chair, Sue Swenson has demonstrated her deep personal commitment to public safety, the FirstNet Authority, and the NPSBN time and time again. Through her determined efforts, the network transformed from concept into reality in an accelerated time frame, surpassing the expectations of many in industry, public safety, and government.

WHEREAS, Chair Swenson has also been recognized by several organizations for her work on behalf of public safety, the FirstNet Authority, and the NPSBN, including: induction into the Wireless Hall of Fame (2015); receipt of the *APCO International Leadership in Advancing Communications Policy Award* (2015); receipt of the International Association of Fire Chief's (IAFC) *2018 IAFC President's Award* (2018); receipt of the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC) *2018 Richard DeMello Award*, which is, "presented to one individual in public-safety communications who has demonstrated the highest levels of personal and professional conduct and performance in the local, state, and national public-safety communications arena;"

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the FirstNet Board hereby extends its formal appreciation to Sue Swenson for her extraordinary expertise, experience, commitment and leadership as the Board Chair.



I, the undersigned, Board Secretary of the First Responder Network, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at the meeting of the Board on August 13, 2018, at which a quorum was present and voted.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and appears to read "Karen Miller-Kuwana".

Karen Miller-Kuwana, Board Secretary