FIRST RESPONDER NETWORK AUTHORITY
BOARD RESOLUTION 89
Memorial Recognition and Expression of Thanks and Award of the Chief Harlin R. McEwen
Public Safety Broadband Communications Award to Tom Sorley as the Chair and Member of the Public Safety Advisory Committee
March 15, 2018

WHEREAS, the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (Act) permits the First Responder Network 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 Act requires the First Responder Network Authority to establish a standing public safety advisory committee to assist it in carrying out its duties and responsibilities;

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2012, the First Responder Network Authority Board adopted Resolution 4 establishing the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC);

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2012, the First Responder Network Authority Board adopted Resolution 13 defining the roles and responsibilities of the PSAC;

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2014, the First Responder Network Authority Board adopted Resolution 59 ratifying the PSAC Charter, which further defined the role of the PSAC in carrying out its duties and provided the management structure for the advisory committee;

WHEREAS, under Tom Sorley’s leadership, the PSAC submitted recommendations on user profiles for onboarding and credentialing, preparing public safety agencies for adoption of First Responder Network Authority services, and valuable input throughout the state plan review process and Governors’ decision period;

WHEREAS, under Tom Sorley’s leadership, the PSAC Tribal Working Group provided recommendations during the development of the First Responder Network Authority Tribal Consultation policy;

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WHEREAS, Tom Sorley has served as the Chair of the PSAC with great diligence, skill and enthusiasm, and his public safety expertise, experience, and exemplary leadership have been invaluable to the PSAC and the First Responder Network Authority Board;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the First Responder Network Authority Board hereby recognizes, in memorial, its formal appreciation to Tom Sorley for his extraordinary expertise, experience, and leadership as the PSAC Chair, and hereby posthumously awards the second Chief Harlin R. McEwen Public Safety Broadband Communications Award to Tom Sorley.

I, the undersigned, Board Secretary of the First Responder Network Authority, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at the meeting of the Board on March 15, 2018, at which a quorum was present and voted.

Karen Miller-Kuwana, Board Secretary

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