



John Bel Edwards
GOVERNOR

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** amateur radio operators provide service in support of first responders, officials and citizens of the state in preparing for, responding to and recovering from declared disasters; and
- WHEREAS,** amateur radio operators are alert and prepared for any emergency, local or national; and
- WHEREAS,** amateur radio operators act as trained weather spotters who report during severe weather events across the state, thereby assisting the National Weather Service with ground activity reports which can save lives; and
- WHEREAS,** amateur radio operators regularly assist with communications during times of natural disasters using their skills to help in reporting the weather events, to assist in shelter operations and to be available during rescue and relief activities, thereby helping to keep people and property safe; and
- WHEREAS,** by continuous learning and experimentation, amateur radio operators have helped to advance the science of electronics and radio related communications; and
- WHEREAS,** the American Radio Relay League's Field Day provides amateur radio operators the opportunity to practice their communication skills and test their preparedness.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **John Bel Edwards**, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim June 18 - June 24, 2017 as

AMATEUR RADIO WEEK
in the State of Louisiana.



*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the
State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of
Baton Rouge, on this 16th day of June*

A. D., 2017.



Governor of Louisiana