

Proclamation Albemarle Amateur Radio Club Field Day Exercises June 2018

- **WHEREAS,** Amateur Radio Operators have provided countless hours of community services to our many Emergency Response organizations and to other local organizations; and
- WHEREAS, these Amateur Radio services are provided wholly uncompensated; and
- WHEREAS, these same individuals have further demonstrated their value in public assistance by providing free radio communications for local parades, bike-a-thons, walk-a-thons, fairs, and other charitable public events; and
- **WHEREAS,** the state of Virginia recognizes and appreciates the diligence of these "hams" who also serve as members of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service and as weather spotters in the Skywarn program of the US Government Weather Bureau; and
- WHEREAS, the ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise will take place on June 23-24, 2018 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, BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, do hereby recognize the Albemarle Amateur Radio Club for its Field Day activities and its service to the community.

Signed this 6th day of June, 2018

Ann H. Mallek, Chair Albemarle Board of County Supervisors