

Mayoral Proclamation

WHEREAS, Amateur radio operators are celebrating over a century of the miracle of the human voice broadcast over the airwaves and Amateur radio has continued to provide a bridge between peoples, societies and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas; and

WHEREAS, Amateur radio operators have also provided countless hours of community services both in emergencies and to other local organizations throughout these decades; and, these Amateur radio services are provided wholly uncompensated; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison recognizes the services amateur radio's people provide to our many Emergency Response organizations, including Amateur Radio Emergency Services, Wisconsin Emergency Management, and Dane County Emergency Operations Center; and

WHEREAS, these same individuals have further demonstrated their value in public assistance by providing free radio communications for local parades, bicycle events, walk-a-thons, fairs and other charitable public events; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison recognizes and appreciates the diligence of these "hams" who also serve as weather spotters in the SKYWARN® program of the National Weather Service; and

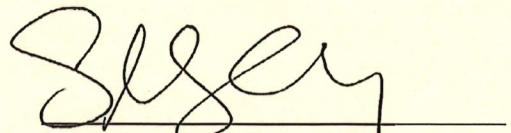
WHEREAS, ARRL is The National Association for Amateur Radio® in the USA. The ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise is a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the radio amateurs' skills and readiness to provide self-supporting communications without further infrastructure being required; and

WHEREAS, the Four Lakes Amateur Radio club of Madison will host the field day exercise at Shumacher Farm County Park on June 27-28, 2026.

Now Therefore, Be it Resolved that I Satya Rhodes-Conway, Mayor of Madison do hereby proclaim **June 27-28, 2026** as

Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Weekend

in the City of Madison.



Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway

Signed and sealed this 16th day of March 2026 at City Hall

