



WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has historically played a significant role in developing world wide radio communications; and,

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has continued to provide a bridge between peoples, societies and countries by creating friendships and facilitating the sharing of ideas; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has more than 20,000 Radio Amateurs who have repeatedly donated their time, equipment and services to help their communities; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois recognizes the services Amateur Radio operators provide to our many Emergency Response organizations; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois Radio Amateurs are on alert for severe weather including tornadoes, floods, and other manmade disasters; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois Radio Amateurs have also generously donated their time and equipment to provide communications support to local service clubs and organizations at no charge; and,

WHEREAS, Radio Amateurs offer free technical training to all interested citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Illinois Radio Amateurs will continue to hone their communications skills by operating during the twenty-four simulated emergency preparedness exercise known as 'Field Day' on June 22-23, 2013; and,

THEREFORE, I, Pat Quinn, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim June 16-23, 2013 as **AMATEUR RADIO WEEK** in Illinois, in recognition of the contributions that Amateur Radio operators make in the Land of Lincoln.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Springfield,
this TWENTY-FIRST *day of* MAY, *in*
the Year of Our Lord two thousand and
THIRTEEN, *and of the State of Illinois*
the one hundred and NINETY-FIFTH

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SECRETARY OF STATE

Pat Quinn

GOVERNOR