

# The State of Washington



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, over 25,000 amateur radio operators in Washington State pursue their interest in radio communications; and

**WHEREAS**, amateur radio operators volunteer and contribute their time, skills, equipment, and energy to help those in need; and

**WHEREAS**, amateur radio operators provide emergency communications for public safety organizations, hospitals, businesses, and the public at-large during emergencies and disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, government agencies and businesses support state and local efforts to carry out amateur radio communications missions; and

**WHEREAS**, amateur radio operators deserve our recognition and gratitude for the many services they provide;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim June 18-23, 2012, as

### *Amateur Radio Week*

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to join me in thanking the thousands of amateur radio operators who come to our aid during emergencies or disasters.

Signed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012

Handwritten signature of Christine O. Gregoire in blue ink.

Governor Christine O. Gregoire

