



PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, citizens of Bastrop gather to recognize and honor our law enforcement officers for their faithful service and sacrifice while protecting our community and safeguarding our democracy; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 800,000 sworn law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Bastrop Police Department; and

WHEREAS, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in over 18,000 injuries; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 23,785 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including one member of the Bastrop Police Department; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, 245 fallen heroes throughout the Nation have been killed in the line of duty including 35 from the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington, D.C., and the names of the heroic Texas Peace Officers are engraved on the Texas Peace Officer Memorial in Austin, Texas; and

WHEREAS, May 15th is designated as Peace Officer's Memorial Day, in honor of all fallen officers and their families and U.S. Flags should be flown at half-staff; and

WHEREAS, Congress has designated the calendar week that May 15th falls be known as National Police Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Connie Schroeder, Mayor of the City of Bastrop, do hereby proclaim May 15, 2023, through May 21, 2023 as:

POLICE OFFICER WEEK IN BASTROP, TEXAS

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Bastrop, Texas to be affixed this 9th day of May 2023.

Connie B. Schroeder, Mayor

