## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, our law enforcement agencies play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms which have been guaranteed by the Constitution to every American citizen; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1962 President Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15th falls as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others; and

**WHEREAS,** it is important that people throughout our country know and understand the problems, duties, and responsibilities of their police departments and that members of our law enforcement agencies recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence or disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bay City Police Department has grown to be a progressive and professional law enforcement agency which unceasingly provides a vital public service; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting and proper that we express our gratitude for the dedicated service and courageous deeds of our City of Bay City Police Department officers and for the contributions they have made to the security and well-being of our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert K. Nelson, Mayor of the City of Bay City, do hereby proclaim that the week of May 14-20, 2023 shall be

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in the City of Bay City, and I urge all citizens to join the Mayor, Council, staff, and employees of the City of Bay City, Texas to do their part to increase safety and awareness in our community.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE CITY OF BAY CITY, TEXAS this the 9th day of May, 2023.

Robert K. Nelson, Mayor