

PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL POLICE WEEK MAY 11TH- 17TH, 2025

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

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1786, there are currently 24,067 law enforcement officers in the United States who have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including 0 members of the TOWN OF ELIZABETH;

WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC.

WHEREAS, 282 new names of fallen heroes were added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in the spring of 2024, including 118 officers killed in 2023, bringing the total number of names on the memorial to 24,067;

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored during the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 37th Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 13, 2025;

WHEREAS, the Candlelight Vigil is part of National Police Week, which will be *observed* this year May 11th-17th;

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the TOWN OF ELIZABETH will observe May 11-17, 2025, as National Police Week ELIZABETH, and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and communities across the nation.

THEREFORE, I, Angela Ternus, Mayor of the Town of Elizabeth, Colorado, do hereby proclaim the third week in May, as NATIONAL POLICE WEEK.

Angela Ternus, Mayor

Attest: Michelle M. Oeser, Town Clerk