

## DECLARING MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>,2023 TO MAY 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 AS NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

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

**WHEREAS,** since the first recorded death in 1786, more than 23,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including Everman Sergeant Alex Arango; and

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

**WHEREAS,** the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored on May 15<sup>th</sup> which was proclaimed by President John F. Kennedy in 1962 as National Peace Officers Day; and

**WHEREAS,** it is important that we recognize the loyal devotion, faithful service, and the willingness to sacrifice that all public safety officers display, past and present; and

**WHEREAS,** this week we pay tribute to the men and women who set aside fear and doubt, these officers who preserve the rule of law for our City of Everman; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN,** that we proclaim May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as **NATIONAL POLICE WEEK** in the City of Everman. We urge all citizens to join us in recognizing Everman Police Officers and reflect on their invaluable contributions as we enjoy the peace they bring to our city and let us vow that their service will never be taken for granted.

 Ray Richardson, Mayor
Date of Enactment