

PROCLAMATION

OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM
PROCLAIMING May 11 – 15, 2020

as

NATIONAL POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL WEEK IN THE CITY OF FOLSOM

WHEREAS, National Police Week was established in 1962 by President John F. Kennedy along with a joint resolution of Congress to pay special tribute to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including 78 sworn members of the City of Folsom Police Department who work devotedly and selflessly on behalf of the citizens of the City of Folsom, regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves: and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 21,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the names of 21,910 of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, which was dedicated in 1991 in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, 371 new names of fallen heroes were added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial last Spring, including 146 officers killed in 2019 and 228 officers who died in previous years whose stories of sacrifice had been lost to history until now: and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored, and the names of the officers newly engraved on the Memorial will be formally dedicated, during the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 32nd Annual Candlelight Vigil, to be held on the evening of Wednesday, May 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, May 15, 2020 is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of all fallen officers and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sarah Aquino, Mayor of the City of Folsom and on behalf of the Folsom City Council do hereby proclaim the week of May 11 - 15, 2020 as **NATIONAL POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL WEEK** in the City of Folsom and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

PROCLAIMED this 28th day of April 2020.

Sarah Aquino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Christa Freemantle, City Clerk

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