

**PROCLAMATION
OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM**

**PROCLAIMING MAY 14 -20, 2023
as
NATIONAL POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL WEEK
IN THE CITY OF FOLSOM**

WHEREAS, in 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls, as National Police Week. 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, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including 80 sworn members of the City of Folsom Police Department who work devotedly and selflessly on behalf of the residents of the City of Folsom, regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves; and

WHEREAS, since the first known line of duty death in 1786, more than 22,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the names 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, in 2022, 245 federal, state, tribal and local law enforcement officers died in the line-of-duty. This number represents a 65% decrease as compared to the previous year where nearly 500 officers died solely as a result of COVID-19; 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 Annual Candlelight Vigil, to be held on the evening of Saturday, May 13, 2023; and

WHEREAS, May 15, 2023, is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of all the fallen officers and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rosario Rodriguez, Mayor of the City of Folsom, on behalf of the Folsom City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of May 14- 20, 2023 as **National Police Officers Memorial Week** in the City of Folsom and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and communities across the nation.

PROCLAIMED this 9th day of May 2023.

Rosario Rodriguez, MAYOR

Attest: _____

Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

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