

**PROCLAMATION**  
**OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM**  
**PROCLAIMING MAY 15 – 21, 2022**  
**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 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 more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including 79 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 known line of duty death in 1786, more than 23,000 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 2021 458 federal, state, tribal and local law enforcement officers died in the line-of-duty. This was an increase of 55% from the 295 officers killed in 2020, and is the highest total line-of-duty officer deaths since 1930 when there were 312 fatalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored, and the names of 619 officers newly engraved on the Memorial will be formally dedicated, during the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil, to be held on the evening of Friday, May 13, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, May 15, 2022 is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of all the fallen officers and their families.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kerri M. Howell, Mayor of the City of Folsom, on behalf of the Folsom City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of May 15- 21, 2022 as **National Police 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.

Attest:

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Kerri M. Howell, MAYOR

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Lydia Konopka, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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