PROCLAMATION

OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM PROCLAIMING May 12 – 18, 2024

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NATIONAL POLICE WEEK IN THE CITY OF FOLSOM

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards and sacrifices of those who dedicate their lives to the law enforcement profession, and to keeping our communities safe; and

- WHEREAS, in 1962 President Kennedy issued a proclamation based on a joint resolution of Congress, which proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week in recognition of those federal, state and local law enforcement officers who have lost their lives or have become disabled in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others, and
- WHEREAS, in 2023, a total of 136 peace officers lost their lives either in the line of duty or from injuries received while on duty. While far too many officers were killed in 2023 this was a 39% decrease from 2022; 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 Monday, May 13, 2024; and
- WHEREAS, Folsom Police officers work selflessly and thankfully on behalf of the exceptionally supportive people of this great city and, to safeguard the lives and property of their fellow Americans regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves; and
- **WHEREAS**, by their patriotic service and their dedicated efforts these men and women have earned the gratitude of the city.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL D. KOZLOWSKI, Mayor of the City of Folsom on behalf of the Folsom City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of May 12-18, 2024, as **NATIONAL POLICE WEEK** in the City of Folsom and extend our gratitude to the men and women of the Folsom Police Department for their dedicated service to our community, their courage, diligence, and dedication to keeping our city and citizens safe.

PROCLAIMED this 23rd day of April 2024.

Michael D. Kozlowski, MAYOR

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