

# Proclamation

**Whereas**, the City Council of the City of Green Cove Springs would like to recognize the 2025 Police Memorial Ceremony held in memory of the Sheriffs and Deputies who lost their lives in the line of duty serving the citizens of Clay County; and

**Whereas**, it is important that all of our citizens know and understand the responsibilities, hazards and sacrifices, made by our local law enforcement professionals on a daily basis, and that we honor those law enforcement officers that protect our communities, enforce our laws, and keep our communities safe by standing between the peace that we so often take for granted and the individuals who tirelessly seek to take that from us; and

**Whereas**, law enforcement officers represent an outward symbol of characteristics like honor, integrity, and courage that helped to form the foundation of this this great nation and this county; and

**Whereas**, these brave men and women serve the residents of Clay County and sustain peace and order in all areas of our community. They act as role models to our children, mentors to our teens, and protectors to those who are most vulnerable; and

**Whereas**, on this day we remember the twelve men who made the ultimate sacrifice and gave their life to ensure our peace and safety; and

**Whereas**, we also recognize and honor the families of those that were lost. We as a community are forever changed and eternally grateful for the sacrifices made by their loved ones; and

**Whereas**, The City Council of the City of Green Cove Springs officially proclaim May 8, 2025 Law Enforcement Memorial Day, and May 11<sup>th</sup> through May 17<sup>th</sup> Law Enforcement Appreciation Week in Green Cove Springs and encourage all citizens to recognize the sacrifices our local law enforcement professionals and their families make, while remembering those whose lives were lost while protecting our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The City Council hereby proclaims May 8, 2025 as Law Enforcement Memorial Day in the City of Green Cove Springs and encourages its residents, businesses, and institutions to join in the activities designed to commemorate this celebration.

**Section 2.** A true copy of this Proclamation shall be spread upon the Official Minutes of the City Council of the City of Green Cove Springs.

**DONE AND PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, IN REGULAR SESSION THIS 15TH DAY OF APRIL 2025.**

**CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA**



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Steven R. Kelley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Erin West, City Clerk