



CITY OF JONESBORO

Proclamation

HONORING NATIONAL FIRST RESPONDERS' DAY – OCTOBER 28, 2026

WHEREAS, there are moments when life changes in an instant—a call for help, an emergency in our community, a dangerous situation, or a circumstance requiring immediate action; and

WHEREAS, in those moments, the men and women who serve our community answer the call. They step forward when others need help, often without knowing what they will face, because service is at the heart of what they do; and

WHEREAS, the Jonesboro Police Department serves our community with courage, professionalism, and dedication, working every day and every night to protect our residents, respond to emergencies, maintain public safety, and help keep our community secure; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated men of the City of Jonesboro Public Works Department play an essential role in protecting the health, safety, and well-being of our community, responding to urgent situations, maintaining critical infrastructure, addressing hazardous conditions, and helping ensure that our city continues to function safely and effectively; and

WHEREAS, the service of these individuals often takes place behind the scenes and during difficult circumstances. They work weekends, holidays, early mornings, late nights, and in challenging weather and conditions—answering the needs of our community when they are needed most; and

WHEREAS, behind every uniform, badge, city vehicle, and emergency call is a person who has chosen to serve others. Their families also make sacrifices, sharing in the long hours, missed holidays, and uncertainty that come with public service; and

WHEREAS, our first responders and essential emergency personnel do more than respond to incidents. They provide reassurance during difficult moments, protect our residents and neighborhoods, and demonstrate every day what it means to put service to others before oneself; and

WHEREAS, National First Responders Day provides the City of Jonesboro with an opportunity to pause and recognize these individuals—not simply for the jobs they perform, but for the courage, commitment, and heart they bring to serving our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that I, Donya L. Sartor (Mayor of the City of Jonesboro), Mayor Pro-Tem, and City Council, do hereby recognize October 28, 2026, as National First Responders Day in the City of Jonesboro. On this day, we honor the men and women of the Jonesboro Police Department, our Public Works Department, and all those who stand ready to serve our community when help is needed most. We thank you for answering the call. We thank you for showing up when others need you. We thank you for protecting our community, serving our residents, and helping make Jonesboro a safer and stronger place to call home. Most importantly, we thank you for choosing to serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Jonesboro to be affixed this day of 13th day of October, 2026.

BY:

Dr. Donya L. Sartor, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shandrella Jewett, City Clerk