

# Proclamation

## NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

### MAY 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> 2023

- WHEREAS,** *the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15<sup>th</sup> as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which it falls as National Police Week; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the members of the law enforcement agency of the City of Lake City play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the City of Lake City; and*
- WHEREAS,** *it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agency, and that members of our law enforcement agency recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the men and women of the law enforcement agency of the City of Lake City unceasingly provide a vital public service;*


**NOW, THEREFORE,** *I, Stephen M. Witt, Mayor of the City of Lake City, Florida, call upon all citizens of the City of Lake City and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 14<sup>th</sup> through 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 as "National Police Week" with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our people may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.*

*I further call upon all citizens of the City of Lake City to observe, Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.*



Seal of the City of Lake City  
State of Florida

*In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.*

  
Stephen M. Witt, Mayor  
City of Lake City