OFFICE OF THE MAYOR MOUNT PLEASANT, TENNESSEE



WHEREAS, in 1962 President Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15th falls as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, 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.

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Tennessee honor the thousands of men and women of local, state, federal and tribal law enforcement agencies who made the supreme sacrifice with their lives to protect the freedom of others and preserve this great nation.

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that we express our gratitude for the dedicated service and courageous deeds of law enforcement officers and for the contributions they have made to security and well-being of all people.

WHEREAS, there are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the City of Mount Pleasant Police Department.

WHEREAS, the members of the Mount Pleasant Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of the City of Mount Pleasant.

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1786, more than 25,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and died in the line of duty, including Homer Copeland, former Chief of the Mount Pleasant Police Department, who gave the ultimate sacrifice on October 1, 1967.

WHEREAS, 147 officers fell in the line of duty in 2024 and will be added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this year.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William F. White, Jr., Mayor of the City of Mount Pleasant, hereby do call upon all citizens of the City of Mount Pleasant to observe the week of May 11 to 17, 2025, as National Police Week as we commemorate police 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 enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens. I further call upon all citizens to observe May 15, 2025, as National Peace Officers Memorial Day to honor those officers who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or have become disabled in the performance of duty.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City to be affixed this 20th day of May 2025. This proclamation was presented to the Mount Pleasant Police Department during the Tuesday, May 20, 2025 Mount Pleasant City Commission meeting.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be afixed.

MAYOR

DATE