



PROCLAMATION

Honoring the Fallen Deputies of the Christian County Sheriff's Office and Recognizing the Officers Wounded

WHEREAS, the safety and well-being of our community are safeguarded each day by the dedicated men and women of law enforcement who place themselves in harm's way in service to others; and

WHEREAS, the Christian County Sheriff's Office has long stood as a symbol of courage, professionalism, and unwavering commitment to justice and public safety; and

WHEREAS, on this solemn occasion, our community mourns the tragic loss of two Christian County deputies, Deputy Gabriel Ramirez and Deputy Michael Hislope, who made the ultimate sacrifice while faithfully carrying out their sworn duty to protect and serve; and

WHEREAS, these fallen deputies exemplified honor, bravery, and selflessness, and their service and sacrifice will forever be remembered with gratitude and respect by the citizens of Christian County and the City of Republic; and

WHEREAS, we also recognize and honor the law enforcement officers who were wounded during this incident, acknowledging their courage, resilience, and steadfast commitment to ensuring the safety of others despite grave personal risk; and

WHEREAS, the families of the fallen and wounded officers bear an immeasurable burden, and our community extends its deepest sympathy, prayers, and unwavering support during this time of profound loss and recovery; and

WHEREAS, moments such as this remind us of the extraordinary courage required of those who serve in law enforcement and the debt of gratitude owed to them by the communities they protect.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eric Franklin, Mayor of the City of Republic, Missouri, do hereby proclaim this day as a time of remembrance and honor for the fallen Christian County deputies and of recognition and gratitude for the officers wounded in the line of duty. I further call upon the citizens of Republic to join in honoring their sacrifice, to support law enforcement and their families, and to reflect upon the enduring values of service, courage, and unity that define our community.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Republic, this 3rd day of March 2026.

Eric Franklin, Mayor