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## Proclamation

## National Police Week May 12-19, 2017

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week in which it falls as Police Week; and

WHEREAS, the International Association of Chiefs of Police has declared law enforcement officer safety and wellness a top priority, and the IACP's Center for Officer Safety and Wellness promotes the importance of individual, agency, family, and community safety and wellness awareness; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Ward Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of the City of Ward; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the problems, duties and responsibilities of their police department, and that members of our police department recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence or disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

WHEREAS, the Ward Police Department has grown to be modern and scientific law enforcement agency which unceasingly provides a vital public service;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** I, Art Brook, Mayor of the City Ward, call upon all citizens of City of Ward, and upon all patriotic, civil and educational organizations to observe the week of May 12<sup>th</sup> through the 19th, as National Police Week.

I FURTHER call upon all citizens of the City of Ward to observe May 15, 2017 as Peace Officers Memorial Day to honor those peace officers who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or have become disabled in the performance of duty

Dated: May 12, 2017