Proclamation

Peace Officers Memorial Day
May 15, 2017

National Police Week
May 14–20, 2017

The Board of County Commissioners of Van Wert County, Ohio, met in regular session in the office of said Board on the 18th day of May, 2017, with the following members present: Mr. Todd D. Wolfrum and Mr. Thad Lichtensteiger.

Mr. Lichtensteiger moved the adoption of the following PROCLAMATION:

Whereas, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week; and
Whereas, there are currently approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Van Wert County Sheriff’s Office and the City of Van Wert Police Department; and
Whereas, currently, tens of thousands of law enforcement officers from around the world converge on Washington DC to participate in a number of planned events which honor those that have paid the ultimate sacrifice; and
Whereas, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty; and
Whereas, each day, these dedicated officers of the law assist thousands of Americans, putting their own lives at risk; therefore, be it

Resolved, that this Board of Van Wert County Commissioners does declare May 15, 2017, to be Peace Officers Memorial Day and be it further

Resolved, that this Board of Van Wert County Commissioners does declare May 14–20, 2017, to be National Police Week

in Van Wert County recognizing and publicly saluting the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

Mr. Wolfrum seconded the motion. The roll was called upon its adoption, and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Wolfrum, Yes; Mr. Owens, Absent; and Mr. Lichtensteiger, Yes.

Todd D. Wolfrum, Chairman of the Board

Absent
Stan D. Owens

Thad Lichtensteiger