

Proclamation

Peace Officers Memorial Day

May 15, 2023

National Police Week

May 14-20, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners of Van Wert County, Ohio, met in regular session in the office of said Board on the 2nd day of May, 2023, with the following members present: Mr. Todd D. Wolfrum, Mr. Stan D. Owens, and Mr. Thad Lichtensteiger.

Mr. Owens 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 more than 800,000 sworn law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Van Wert County Sheriff's Office, the City of Van Wert Police Department, the Van Wert Highway Patrol, and the Ohio State Highway Patrol; and

Whereas, currently, tens of thousands of law enforcement officers from around the world converge on Washington D.C. 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 1786, more than 23,000 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, 2023, to be

Peace Officers Memorial Day

and be it further

Resolved, that this Board of Van Wert County Commissioners does declare May 14-20, 2023, 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. Lichtensteiger seconded the motion. The roll was called upon its adoption, and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Wolfrum, Yea; Mr. Owens, Yea; and Mr. Lichtensteiger, Yea.



Todd D. Wolfrum, Chairman of the Board

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