



PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL POLICE WEEK AND PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement Officers are our guardians of life and property, defenders of the individual right to be free men and women, warriors in the war against crime and dedicated to the preservation of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and

WHEREAS, peace officers make it possible for us to leave our homes and family in safety each day and to return to our homes knowing we are protected by men and women willing to sacrifice their lives, if necessary, to guard our loved ones, property, and government against all who would violate the law; and

WHEREAS, it is known that every fifty-seven hours an American police officer will be killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States and 136 officers will be seriously assaulted in the performance of their duties; our community joins with other cities and towns to honor all peace officers everywhere; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States of America has designated the week of May 14 to be dedicated as National Police Week; and May 15th to be Peace Officers Memorial Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida hereby proclaims:

**The Week of May 14-20, 2023, as National Police Week
The Day of May 15th, 2023 as Peace Officers Memorial Day**

DONE AND PROCLAIMED this 9TH day of May 2023, Sumter County, Florida.

Attest:

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SUMTER COUNTY**

Deputy Clerk

**Craig A. Estep
Chairman**