

The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 20 OF 2023

WHEREAS, The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15, 2023 as National Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and May 15-21, 2023 as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, the members of the law enforcement agencies of Centre County play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of Centre County and provide a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards and sacrifices of their law enforcement agencies, and that members of our law enforcement agencies recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and protecting the innocent against deception, and the weak against oppression; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Centre County Board of Commissioners call upon all citizens of Centre County and all patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe the week of **May 15-21, 2023** as "**Police Week**" with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our citizens may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

We further call upon all citizens of Centre County to observe **May 17, 2023** as "**Peace Officers' Memorial Day**" in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

ADOPTED this 9th day of May 2023.



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