

## PROCLAMATION



**WHEREAS**, in 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls, as National Police Week, then established by a joint resolution of Congress and the President of the United States, National Police Week was declared a collaborative effort of many organizations dedicated to honor the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers that risk their lives to protect our communities and safeguard our democracy; and

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the law enforcement agency of the City of Polk City, whom play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Polk City, Iowa; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important that all citizens know and understand the responsibilities, duties, hazards and sacrifice of their law enforcement officers;

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Police Department in Polk City, Iowa, serve the people by safeguarding life and property, protect them against violence and disorder, and provide a vital public service.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Steve Karsjen, Mayor of Polk City, Iowa, do hereby recognize the week of May 14 through May 20, 2023 as **NATIONAL POLICE WEEK** in Polk City Iowa, and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation. I urge all citizens to recognize these officers' faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities.

*Dated this 8th day of May 2023*

  
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Steve Karsjen, Mayor

