



## PROCLAMATION

### National Police Week: May 15-21, 2024 and National Peace Officers Memorial Day: May 15, 2024

**WHEREAS**, in 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15<sup>th</sup> as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15<sup>th</sup> falls, as National Police Week; and

**WHEREAS**, National Police Week is a collaborative effort of many organizations dedicated to honoring America's law enforcement community and give special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others; and

**WHEREAS**, law enforcement officers strive to maintain a safe environment for all, often while facing significant challenges and dangers, and our community recognizes the important work and sacrifices officers make each day to protect the citizens of Roosevelt County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Roosevelt County Sheriff's Office is comprised of ten Deputies, one School Resource Deputy two Sergeants, a Chief Deputy and Sheriff, three Transport Officers, and one Executive Secretary; and

**WHEREAS**, there are more than 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Roosevelt County Sheriff's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important for all citizens to know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agency, and that members of our Roosevelt County Sheriff's Office recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and

**WHEREAS**, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately 18,000 injuries a year; and

**WHEREAS**, since the first recorded death in 1786, more than 23,785 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and lost their lives in the line of duty; and

**WHEREAS**, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

**WHEREAS**, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored during the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 35th Annual Candlelight Vigil on the evening of May 13, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, May 15, 2024 is designated as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and all U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff, in honor of all fallen officers and their families; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Roosevelt County Commissioners, will observe May 15-21, 2024 as:

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in Roosevelt County and encourage all citizens to join in honoring and recognizing our law enforcement officers. Roosevelt County encourages you to initiate, support and embrace new ways of honoring these critical public servants as they perform their duties in an especially challenging time. We publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation. We dedicate these seven days annually to recognize these great public servants, but we should not hesitate to make every day an opportunity to honor and show appreciation to those men and women serving daily in law enforcement to keep our communities safe.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Roosevelt County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 15, 2024 to be:

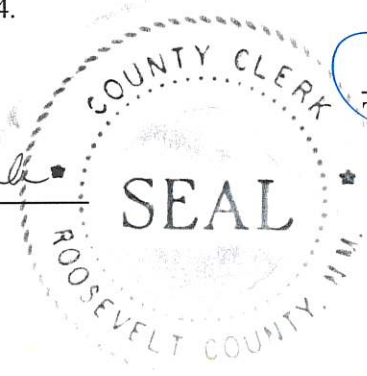
#### "National Peace Officers Memorial Day"

to honor all law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have been disabled in the performance of their duties and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the County of Roosevelt to be affixed this 23rd day of April 2024.

Attest:

  
Mandi Park, Clerk



  
Tina Dixon, Chairman

