

PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

May 18, 2016

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week, to recognize and honor the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty while protecting our communities and safeguarding 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 many police departments throughout Lancaster County; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed 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, 252 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 123 officers killed in 2015 and 129 officers killed in previous years; and

WHEREAS, the members of the many law enforcement agencies in Lancaster County, who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, play an essential role in providing a vital public service to protect the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Lancaster County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, that the week of May 15-21, 2016 be proclaimed

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and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation. The community is encouraged to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Dennis P. Stuckey, Chairman

Joshua G. Parsons, Vice Chairman

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*Board of Commissioners of
Lancaster County, Pennsylvania*