



Proclamation

National Police Week May 9 through May 20, 2023 Peace Officer's Memorial Day May 15, 2023

Whereas, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy designated May 15th as **Peace Officers Memorial Day** and the week in which that date falls as **Police Week**; and

Whereas there are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including our own dedicated members of the New Berlin Police Department; nationally there have been 43,649 assaults against law enforcement officers in 2021, resulting in approximately 15,369 injuries; 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 died in the line of duty; the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC; and

Whereas, 556 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 224 officers who died in 2022 and 332 officers who died in previous years; and

Whereas the service and sacrifice of all officers who died 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, 2023; and

Whereas, the residents and the entire Common Council wish to recognize and thank *each* of our Police Officers, for the work they do in keeping our community safe. Law enforcement is a noble and courageous vocation to which our gratitude is due. We take this opportunity to thank you for looking beyond your own safety and well-being, and recognize that the risks you assume are also burdens which your families share with you.



NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, David A. Ament, Mayor of the City of New Berlin, in recognition of New Berlin's "*finest*", do hereby proclaim **May 9, 2023 through May 20, 2023 Police Week** and furthermore recognize **May 15, 2023 as Peace Officer's Memorial Day** in honor of all the dedicated officers who were lost to us in the line of duty and in recognition of their loved ones left behind.

Our sincerest gratitude to those who serve & protect....so others may live in peace & security.

Mayor David A. Ament

