



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
Thomas M. Poynton

PROCLAMATION Police Week 2017

WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Lake Zurich Police Department;

WHEREAS, President John F. Kennedy, in 1962 proclaimed that May 15th of each year be Peace Officers Memorial Day and that the calendar week of each year during which such May 15th occurs as Police Week; 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, 394 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 143 officers killed in 2016 and 251 officers killed in previous years; and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty was honored during the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 29th Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 13, 2017; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the President of the Village of Lake Zurich that May 14-20, 2017, be observed as **Police Week** in the Village of Lake Zurich, and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

Dated this 15TH day of May, 2017.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of this Village to be affixed.



Thomas Poynton, Village President

