

TO: Mayor Robinson and City Council

FROM: Jeffrey L. McCormick, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: National Police Week Proclamation

DATE: May 15, 2017

BACKGROUND

National Police Week is the week May 11-17, 2017. Our department has been fortunate to not have lost an officer in the line of duty. However, we have had an officer that worked for our agency that moved on in his career that was killed in the line of duty. This is something that as a Chief I hope never to have to deal with, but it is important to understand that any day that can change because of the dangers officers face.

I have attached a Proclamation of National Police Week for the Mayor to consider making.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Request the Mayor declare the Proclamation for National Police Week.

**City of Cannon Falls
Proclamation for National 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 City of Cannon Falls Police Department;

WHEREAS, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately 16,000 injuries;

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;

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

WHEREAS, 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;

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 28th Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 15, 2017;

WHEREAS, the Candlelight Vigil is part of National Police Week, which takes place this year on May 11-17, 2017;

WHEREAS, May 15, 2017 was designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of all fallen officers and their families, and U.S. flags were to be flown at half-staff;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Cannon Falls City Council formally designates May 11-17, 2017, as Police Week in Cannon Falls, and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

ADOPTED by the City Council of Cannon Falls this 16st day of May, 2017.

CITY OF CANNON FALLS

Lyman M. Robinson
Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Ronald S. Johnson
City Administrator