

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, there are more than 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Lewisville Police Department; and

Whereas, since the first recorded death in 1786, more than 22,000 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 22,611 dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

Whereas, the number of law enforcement professionals nationwide who died in the line of duty in 2021 increased by 55% over the previous year; and

Whereas, Texas experienced the largest number of law enforcement officer fatalities of all U.S. states in 2021 with 84 line-of-duty deaths; 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.

Now, therefore, I, TJ Gilmore, Mayor of the City of Lewisville, Texas, do hereby proclaim the week of May 15-21, 2022, as:

“NATIONAL POLICE WEEK”

and May 15, 2022, as:

“POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY”

in the City of Lewisville and urge all citizens to make every effort to express heartfelt appreciation to the men and women who have sacrificed their lives to guard us and our loved ones against all who would violate the law.

Proclaimed this 2nd day of May, 2022.

**TJ Gilmore, Mayor
City of Lewisville**