

Resolution

Designating the week of May 10 through May 16, 2024,
as “National Police Week”

WHEREAS, there are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States including dedicated members of the Village of Dryden Police Department, Tompkins County Sheriff’s Office, New York State Police Troop C Zone 3, and Tompkins Cortland Community College Campus Police; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1786, there are currently 24,067 law enforcement officers in the United States who have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, in 1962, President John Fitzgerald Kennedy signed Public Law 87-726 which authorizes the President to proclaim May 15 of every year as “Peace Officers Memorial Day” in honor of fallen officers and their families and U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 87-726 also authorizes the President to designate the week in which Peace Officers Memorial Day falls as “National Police Week”; and

WHEREAS, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, dedicated on October 15, 1991, is the national monument to honor those law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, 282 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 118 officers killed in 2023 and 164 officers killed in previous years; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Dryden recognizes May 10 through May 16, 2024 as National Police Week in the Town of Dryden, and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

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