

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have designated the week of May 14-20, 2017 as National Police Week and the Wednesday of that week as Peace Officers' Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Muscatine Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of our community; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded police 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, including four members of the Muscatine Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the Muscatine Police Department unceasingly provide a vital public service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Diana Broderson, Mayor of the City of Muscatine, call upon all citizens of our community and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 14-20, 2017 as Police Week with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our community may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their community and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

I further call upon all citizens of Muscatine to observe Wednesday, May 17, 2017, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Muscatine to be affixed this 20th day of April, 2016.

Diana Broderson, Mayor