## **PROCLAMATION**

## NATIONAL POLICE WEEK MAY 12-18, 2024

WHEREAS, in 1962 President Kennedy proclaimed May 15<sup>th</sup> as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15<sup>th</sup> falls as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others; and

WHEREAS, the members of the De Pere Police Department play an essential role in promoting the safety, security, and general wellbeing of all people, while safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens and visitors of the City of De Pere; and

WHEREAS, it is of the utmost importance for all citizens to recognize and understand the challenges, duties and efforts of their police department, and that members of our police department recognize, understand and perform their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence or disorder, by protecting the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression, and the vulnerable against harm; and

**WHEREAS**, the De Pere Police Department has grown to be a progressive, professional, and responsive law enforcement agency which unceasingly provides a vital public service at all times and in all conditions.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, James G. Boyd, Mayor of the City of De Pere, call upon all citizens of the City of De Pere and upon all patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe the week of May 12-18, 2024 as National Police Week in the City of De Pere in which all of us may join in commemorating police officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities.

I further call upon all citizens of the City of De Pere to observe May 15, 2024 as National Peace Officers' Memorial Day to honor those peace officers who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or have become disabled in the performance of their duty.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the City of De Pere, Wisconsin, this \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2024.

CITY OF DE PERE, WISCONSIN

James G. Boyd, Mayo