

## CITY OF KALAMA



## NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT DAY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Congress and the President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officer Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Kalama Police Department;

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 23,000 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, the communities in Cowlitz County have experienced firsthand the tragic loss of Cowlitz County Sheriff Deputy Justin DeRosier on April 14, 2019;

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 30th Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 15, 2019 as part of National Police Week, which takes place this year on May 12-18, 2019;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council Members of Kalama, WA formally designate May 12-18, 2019, as Police Week in Kalama and publically salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and the communities across the nation. We further direct that pursuant to Public Law 103-322 that all flags be flown at half-staff on Wednesday, May 15, 2015, Peace Officer's Memorial Day, in honor of the fallen officers and their families.

**Mayor Mike Reuter** 

Attest:

Coni McMaster, Clerk/Treasurer