



# NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

## MAY 10-16, 2020

To recognize National Police Week 2020 and to honor the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty while protecting our communities and safeguarding our democracy.

**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**, there have been more than 16,000 assaults against law enforcement officers in 2019, resulting in approximately 15,000 injuries;

**WHEREAS**, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 24,155 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**, 396 new names of fallen heroes will be added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in the spring of 2021, including 146 officers killed in 2019, including Deputy Justin DeRosier of the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office and 250 officers killed in previous years; as well as those officers who will sacrifice themselves in this year of 2020

**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 Annual Candlelight Vigil on the evening of May 13, 2020 and may along with other events recognizing dedicated officers everywhere, be held virtually or postponed due to the COVID-19 crisis;

**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, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Kalama City Council formally designates May 10-16, 2020, as Police Week in City of Kalama, and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

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Mayor Mike Reuter

Attest:

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Clerk/Treasurer

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Date