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PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 1962 President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week in which it falls as Police Week; and

WHEREAS, the members of the law enforcement agency of the City of Cottage Grove play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of the City of Cottage Grove; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the problems, duties and responsibilities of their police department, and that members of our police department recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property by protecting them against violence or disorder and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

WHEREAS, the police department of the City of Cottage Grove has grown to be a modern and scientific law enforcement agency which increasingly provides a vital public service.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Candace Solesbee, Mayor of the City of Cottage Grove, call upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 12 through May 18, 2024, as Police Week with appropriate ceremonies in which all of our people may join in commemoration police officers, past and present, who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and in doing so, 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 the City of Cottage Grove to observe Wednesday, May 15, 2024 as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of those peace officers who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or have become disable in the performance of duty.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Cottage Grove to be affixed this 13th day of May, 2024.



Candace Solesbee, Mayor City of Cottage Grove, Oregon