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## Douglas County Commissioners Issue Proclamation for Peace Officer's Memorial Day and National Police Week

(Douglas County, Ore.) The Douglas County Board of Commissioners issued a proclamation last week at their Weekly Business Meeting, calling upon all citizens of Douglas County to join us in honoring and thanking our law enforcement officers and agencies present and past across our county during **Peace Officer's Memorial Day and National Police Week, May 9-15, 2021.**

The proclamation was presented by Commissioner Tim Freeman, on behalf of the Board and acknowledged that: "The members of Douglas County law enforcement play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Douglas County; that it is important that citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement officers; that members of our law enforcement agencies 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 that the men and women of Douglas County law enforcement unceasingly provide a vital public service."



The proclamation was presented to Sutherlin Police Chief Troy Mills, Winston Police Chief Brandon Sarti, Douglas County Undersheriff Jeff Frieze and Roseburg Police Chief Gary Klopfenstein by Commissioner Tom Kress and Commissioner Tim Freeman, in recognition of the invaluable and critical role our law enforcement officers and agencies provide in helping to protect and serve the residents of Douglas County.

The Commissioners extended a sincere thank you for the unwavering dedication and faithful service our law enforcement officers and agencies provide, not just in an emergency, but every

day – 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week, 365-days-a-year.

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(Proclamation & Photo Attached)

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# PROCLAMATION

## Peace Officers' Memorial Day and National Police Week

May 9 - 15, 2021

**WHEREAS**, The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15, 2021, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15th falls as National Police Week; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of Douglas County law enforcement play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Douglas County; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement officers; and that members of our law enforcement agencies 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 of intimidation; and

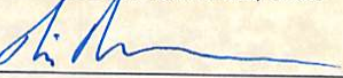
**WHEREAS**, the men and women of Douglas County law enforcement unceasingly provide a vital public service.

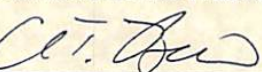
**NOW, THEREFORE**, we, the Commissioners of Douglas County, call upon all citizens of Douglas County to observe May 15<sup>th</sup> as "**Peace Officers' Memorial Day**". We direct that all flags on County buildings be flown at half-staff, dawn through dusk, on Saturday, May 15, 2021, in recognition of Peace Officers' Memorial Day and in memory of those law enforcement officers, who through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their communities or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and to let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes. We call upon the community to join their fellow citizens throughout the County and across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

**FURTHER**, we call upon all citizens of Douglas County, and upon all patriotic, civil and educational organizations, to observe the week of May 9<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as "**Police Week**," with appropriate recognition in which all of our people 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 communities.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have unto set our hands and caused the seal of Douglas County to be affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

  
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Commissioner Tom Kress, Chair

  
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Commissioner Tim Freeman

  
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Commissioner Chris Boice

