



**CITY OF ROCHELLE ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

PROCLAMATION

**NATIONAL POLICE WEEK
MAY 10 – 16, 2015**

WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Rochelle Police Department, who put their lives on the line for the safety and protection of others; and

WHEREAS, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately 16,000 injuries;

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 20,000 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, 273 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 117 officers killed in 2014 and 156 officers killed in previous years;

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 27th Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 13, 2015;

WHEREAS, the Candlelight Vigil is part of National Police Week, which takes place this year on May 10-16;

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;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I Chet Olson, Mayor of Rochelle, formally designate May 10-16, 2015, as Police Week in the City of Rochelle, Illinois and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Rochelle to be affixed this 11th day of May 2015

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chet Olson".

Chet Olson, Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce W. McKinney".

Attest:

Bruce W. McKinney, City Clerk

