

National Police Week 2021

To recognize National Police Week 2021 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 Rochelle Police Department;

WHEREAS, the members of the Rochelle Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of all members of the community;

WHEREAS, more than 22,000 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, DC;

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 33rd virtual Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 13, 2021;

WHEREAS, May 15 is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of all fallen officers and their families, U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff, from sunrise to sunset;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that John Bearrows, Mayor of the City of Rochelle, formally designates May 9-15, 2021, as **National Police Week**, and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Rochelle to be affixed on 10th day of May 2021.

John Bearrows, Mayor

Attest: _____
Susan L. Messer, City Clerk

