

# PROCLAMATION

*To recognize National Police Week 2014 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 Oregon City Police Department; and
- Whereas,** nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately 16,000 injuries; and
- Whereas,** since the first recorded death in 1791, almost 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including at least 2 members of the Oregon City Police Department; and
- Whereas,** the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C; and
- Whereas,** 321 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 100 officers killed in 2013 and 186 officers killed in previous years; and
- 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 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 13, 2014; and
- Whereas,** the Candlelight Vigil is part of National Police Week, which takes place this year from May 11-17; and
- 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,** I, Doug Neeley, Mayor of Oregon City, hereby proclaim

The week of May 11-17, 2014


as

National Police Week

**And,** publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of May 2014.



  
DOUG NEELEY, Mayor