



WHEREAS, it is important for the people of Gaston County and its municipalities to know and understand the problems, duties, and responsibilities of our law enforcement officers and agencies. We applaud the members of those agencies for recognizing their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting people against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and,

WHEREAS, our nation, more than ever, depends upon local law enforcement as our first line of defense. The men and women of these agencies give of themselves day in and day out to preserve our homeland security; and,

WHEREAS, in 2019, 128 peace officers across the nation and 2 from North Carolina alone were killed in the line of duty; and,

WHEREAS, the members of law enforcement agencies of Gaston County and its municipalities play a vital role in safeguarding the rights and freedom of our local citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners proclaims May 10 – 16, 2020 as **Law Enforcement Week** in Gaston County and May 15, 2020 as

### ***PEACE OFFICER'S MEMORIAL DAY***

and join law enforcement officers nationwide in honoring their fallen comrades and urge Gaston County citizens to commemorate law enforcement officers, past and present.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the citizens of Gaston County recognize and appreciate the contributions made by their local law enforcement officers for handling the difficult situations they encounter on a daily basis.

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To be Adopted the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2020



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## Police Department

### Board Action

File #: 20-145

Commissioner Worley - Police Department/Sheriff's Office - Proclamation - To Proclaim May 10 - 16, 2020 as Law Enforcement Week and May 15, 2020 as Peace Officer's Memorial Day in Gaston County

#### STAFF CONTACT

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#### BACKGROUND

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls, as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others.

#### ATTACHMENTS

Proclamation

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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