

PROCLAMATION

BOROUGH OF RED BANK

To recognize National Police Week 2023 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 more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Red Bank Police Department; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1786, more than 23,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including one member of the Red Bank 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, DC;

WHEREAS, 226 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 64 officers who were shot and killed in the line of duty in 2022; 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 35th Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 13, 2023; and

WHEREAS, May 15th 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 the Red Bank Borough Council will observe May 14-20, 2023, as National Police Week in the Borough of Red Bank, 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 this 10th day of May, 2023.



William Portman, Mayor.