



City of St. Charles  
ILLINOIS

# Proclamation

## National Police Week

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; and

**WHEREAS,** the members of the law enforcement agency of the City of St. Charles play an important role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of our community; and

**WHEREAS,** it is important that all citizens know and understand the problems, duties, and responsibilities of their police department, and that members of our department recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, protecting them against violence or disorder, and protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

**WHEREAS,** it is known that 146 officers across the Nation gave their lives in the performance of their duties in 2019. Currently, there are more than 21,000 names of fallen law enforcement heroes engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D. C.; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of St. Charles desires to honor the valor, service, and dedication of its own police officers, and to join the countless communities and cities across the nation to honor police officers everywhere;

**NOW, THEREFORE** I, Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor of the City of St. Charles, Illinois do hereby proclaim the week of **May 10 thru 16** to be **NATIONAL POLICE WEEK** and **May 15<sup>th</sup>** to be **NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY**. I call upon our citizens in this community to especially honor and show our sincere appreciation for the police officers of the city by deed, remark, and attitude. I call upon all of our citizens to make every effort to express their thanks to our men and women who make it possible for us to leave our homes and family in safety each day, and to return to our homes knowing they are protected by police officers who are willing to sacrifice their lives if necessary, to guard our loved ones, our property, and our government against all who would violate the law.

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Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor