

Proclamation

City of Longview, Washington

National Police Week

May 13 – 19, 2018

WHEREAS, National Police Week gives us an opportunity to recognize and honor the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including 60 Commissioned Officers as well as 3 Commissioned Reserve Officers of the Longview Police Department; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 20,000 law enforcement officers have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, there have been 58,627 assaults against law enforcement in 2016, resulting in approximately 16,677 injuries; and

WHEREAS, 394, including one from the State of Washington, will join the 21,183 names engraved on the wall of Washington D.C.'s National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, will be formally dedicated at the 30th Annual Candlelight Vigil on May 13, 2018; and

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Don Jensen, Mayor of the City of Longview, do hereby proclaim May 13-19, 2018 as **National Police Week** in Longview, Washington and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation. I further direct, Pursuant to Public Law 103-322, that all flags be flown at half-staff on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 on **Peace Officer's Memorial Day**, in honor of the fallen officers and their families.*

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Longview to be affixed this 10th day of May 2018.

Don Jensen, Mayor