

PROCLAMATION

***WHEREAS**, there are more than 800,000 sworn law enforcement officers now serving in the United States, which is the highest figure ever; and*

***WHEREAS**, according to the National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund, on average, one law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States every 57 hours; and*

***WHEREAS**, President John F. Kennedy, in 1962, was the first President to designate Police Week in recognition of the contribution the police officers of America have made to our civilization through their dedicated and selfless efforts in enforcing our laws, and proclaim Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of the federal, state, and municipal peace officers who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty; and*

***WHEREAS**, the police officers of Barrington have worked devotedly and selflessly on behalf of the people of this Village regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves; and*

***WHEREAS**, by the enforcement of our laws, these same officers have safeguarded the lives and property of their fellow Americans and given us freedom from fear of the violence and civil disorder that often affects other nations; and*

***WHEREAS**, these men and women by their patriotic service and their dedicated efforts have earned the gratitude of the Village of Barrington.*

***NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Karen Darch, President of the Village of Barrington, Cook and Lake Counties, on behalf of the Village Board and the Village of Barrington, do hereby recognize May 15, 2021 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day in the honor of the federal, state, and municipal officers who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty and in recognition of the service given by the men and women who, night and day, stand guard in our community and those across the country. I encourage the citizens of the Village of Barrington to show gratitude and respect to police officers in the Village and everywhere, at all times, but especially on this day.*

Dated this 10th day of May, 2021

*Karen Darch
Village President*