

Proclamation

National Police Week 2019

WHEREAS, there are more than 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, there have been 60,211 assaults against law enforcement officers in 2017, resulting in approximately 17,476 injuries; 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; and

WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, 371 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 158 officers killed in 2018 and 213 officers killed in previous years; 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 38th Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 13, 2019; and

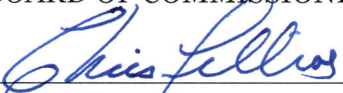
WHEREAS, the Candlelight Vigil is part of National Police Week, which takes place this year on May 12-18; NOTE: Because May 12, 2019 falls on a Sunday, some events will take place before the official dates of police week 2019; and

WHEREAS, May 15 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;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Kootenai County formally designates May 12-18, 2019 as *****Police Week***** and May 15, 2019 as *****Peace Officers Memorial Day***** in Kootenai County to honor those peace officers who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or have become disabled in the performance of duty and to publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.


Dated this 7th of May, 2019.

KOOTENAI COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


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BY: 
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