

PROCLAMATION

National Police Week

WHEREAS, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation that designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week; and

WHEREAS, National Police Week honors the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty, and the more than 800,000 active law enforcement officers who protect our communities and safeguard our democracy across America; and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 1998, Motor Officer Rick Charles Cromwell died as a result of a motorcycle collision that occurred on Kettleman Lane while on duty; and

WHEREAS, his name has been engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC, for the last 27 years; and

WHEREAS, the safety of our community depends on the police for direction and assistance in our most distressed and terror-stricken moments; and

WHEREAS, Lodi's 73 sworn personnel work diligently to leverage available resources and partnerships to enhance their ability to provide top-quality service; they build and strengthen relationships with residents to most effectively address crime and social issues in the City of Lodi; and

WHEREAS, the observance of National Police Week provides an opportunity for members of the community to learn more about the vital work of law enforcement and to express gratitude for their service; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mikey Hothi, Mayor Pro Tempore of the City of Lodi, on behalf of Mayor Ramon Yopez, do hereby proclaim the week of May 10-16, 2026, as **National Police Week** in Lodi, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our city and residents safe.

SIGNED this 6th day of May, 2026.

Mikey Hothi
Mayor Pro Tempore