## 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 26 years; and
- **WHEREAS**, the safety of our community depends on police for direction and assistance in our most distressed and terror-stricken moments; and
- WHEREAS, Lodi's 72 sworn personnel work diligently to leverage available resources and partnerships to enhance their ability to provide topquality service; they build and strengthen relationships with citizens 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 citizens 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, Cameron Bregman, Mayor of the City of Lodi, do hereby proclaim the week of May 11-17, 2025, 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.

Cameron Bregman Mayor, City of Lodi