



PROCLAMATION

National Police Week
May 10 – 16, 2020

Peace Officers' Memorial Day
May 15, 2020

WHEREAS, The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police week; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Grand Forks Police Department and area law enforcement play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of our community; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agency, and that members of our law enforcement agency recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the Grand Forks Police Department unceasingly provide a vital public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Michael R. Brown, Mayor of Grand Forks, North Dakota call upon the citizens of Grand Forks and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 10 - 16, 2020, as **Police Week** with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our people may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

I further call upon all citizens of Grand Forks to observe May 15, 2020 as **Peace Officers' Memorial Day** in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

Michael R. Brown, Mayor
City of Grand Forks