



## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Congress and the President of the United States have designated May 15<sup>th</sup> as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15<sup>th</sup> falls as National Police Week; and

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Bonney Lake Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately 17,000 injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 23,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and were 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 the names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 131 officers killed in 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored across the country; and

**WHEREAS**, May 15, 2020 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; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Bonney Lake Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of the City of Bonney Lake;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Neil Johnson, Jr., Mayor of Bonney Lake do hereby proclaim **May 10<sup>th</sup> – May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020** as **National Police Week**, and proclaim May 15, 2020 to be

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in the City of Bonney Lake and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Bonney Lake to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

Neil Johnson, Jr., Mayor