



**A PROCLAMATION DECLARING  
MAY 12, 2019 to MAY 18, 2019 AS POLICE WEEK AND  
MAY 15, 2019 AS PEACE OFFICER MEMORIAL DAY**

**WHEREAS**, on October 1, 1962, it was resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the President was authorized and requested to issue proclamations (1) designating May 15 of each year as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of the federal, state, and municipal officers who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty, (2) directing the officials of the government to display at half-staff the flag of the United States on all government buildings on such day, (3) designating in each year the calendar week during which such May 15 occurs as Police Week, in recognition of the service given by the men and women who, night and day, stand guard in our midst to protect us through enforcement of our laws, and (4) inviting the governments of the states and communities and the people of the United States to observe such day and week; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial wall in Washington, D.C. features the names of 21,910 law enforcement officers who have been killed in the line of duty since 1791; and

**WHEREAS**, there are more than 700,000 sworn law enforcement officers now serving in the United States, over 25,000 employed in the State of Ohio, and 24 officers currently serving the City of New Albany; and

**WHEREAS**, four officers were killed in the line of duty in Ohio in 2018, two officers lost their lives to date in 2019, and many more were injured during the performance of their jobs, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the City of New Albany wishes to express its gratitude for the dedicated service and courageous deeds of law enforcement officers and for the contributions they have made to the security and well-being of New Albany and elsewhere;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor of the City of New Albany, Counties of Franklin and Licking, State of Ohio, on behalf of the council and residents of New Albany, do hereby proclaim May 12, 2019 to May 18, 2019 as **POLICE WEEK** and May 15, 2019 as **PEACE OFFICER MEMORIAL DAY** in New Albany, and invite citizens to observe and participate in commemorating law enforcement officers who have rendered service to their communities.

**WHEREBY**, I set my hand and seal this 7th day of May, 2019.

  
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Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor