

City of Eureka

# Proclamation



In recognition of

*California Peace Officer Memorial Week*

*May 7-13, 2023*

*Whereas*, the State of California has declared the week of May 7th through May 13th, 2023, as California Peace Officer Memorial Week and Monday, May 15th, 2023, National Peace Officers' Memorial Day in the City of Eureka; *and*

*Whereas*, the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15th as National Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week of May 14th through May 20th as National Police week; *and*

*Whereas*, the members of the Eureka Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the City of Eureka; *and*

*Whereas*, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement personnel, 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 Eureka Police Department unceasingly provide a vital public service.

*Now, therefore, I Kim Bergel, Mayor of the Eureka City*, call upon all citizens of the City of Eureka and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 7th through May 13th, 2023, as California 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 the City of Eureka to honor 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. Let us especially remember those Eureka Police Officers who died in the line of duty, Pete Carroll, Pat Mitchell and Charlie Swanson.

*Mayor Kim Bergel*  
*City of Eureka*  
May 2, 2023