



**HONORARY PROCLAMATION
DECLARING THE WEEK OF MAY 11-17, 2022 AS
"NATIONAL POLICE WEEK" AND MAY 15, 2022 AS
"NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL DAY"**

WHEREAS, the Arroyo Grande City Council recognizes that law enforcement officers play an important role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms which are guaranteed by the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the members of the law enforcement agency of Arroyo Grande play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Arroyo Grande; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the problems, duties, and responsibilities of their police department, and that members of our police department recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by ensuring quality of life, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

WHEREAS, Sunday, May 15, 2022, will commemorate "National Peace Officers' Memorial Day," which recognizes and honors those who lost their lives in the line of duty, including Detective Luca Benedetti of the San Luis Obispo Police Department who was killed in the line of duty on May 10, 2021, and the City Council thanks Detective Benedetti and each peace officer whose watch has ended on behalf of Arroyo Grande for their service; and

WHEREAS, this Nation asks much of our Federal, State, Tribal, and local police officers and deputies, and it is Arroyo Grande's responsibility to ensure that those who protect and serve have the training, resources, and support they need to do their jobs well. Arroyo Grande will do everything possible to support the men and women who courageously protect the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Caren Ray Russom, Mayor of the City of Arroyo Grande, do hereby proclaim May 11-17, 2022 as "National Police Week" and May 15, 2022 as "National Peace Officers' Memorial Day." I call upon the citizens of Arroyo Grande to observe these events with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Arroyo Grande to be affixed this 10th day of May 2022.

CAREN RAY RUSSOM, MAYOR

