

Whereas, May 15 of each year was first proclaimed as National Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week within which the day falls as National Police Week, by a Joint Resolution of the 87th Congress, and signed into law by President John F. Kennedy on October 1, 1962, and

Whereas, on May 5, 1984 President Ronald Regan issued Proclamation 5187 declaring the first full week in May as National Correctional Officers Week, and

Whereas, law enforcement officers perform an essential public service under difficult circumstances, especially today with unprecedented challenges from increasing national unrest and the COVID pandemic, and

Whereas, Ulster County's Deputy Sheriffs and other police officers are selfless public servants who accept as part of their profession being exposed to great danger in order to protect the life and property others, and

Whereas, Ulster County's Correctional Officers and employees are tasked with securely, safely and humanely keeping those in the Ulster County Correctional Facility, while respecting the rights and dignity of all inmates, whether having been found guilty or awaiting adjudication, and

Whereas, the Ulster County Legislature is desirous of recognizing the difficulties faced by those in law enforcement and acknowledging the good work of these dedicated persons, and

Whereas, having demonstrated a steadfast commitment to community, and an unfaltering support of all who have served, those who continue to serve, and especially, those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty,

Now, Therefore I, David B. Donaldson, Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature, do hereby direct this honorable body to pause in its deliberations to recognize and honor Ulster County's Law Enforcement Officers by declaring:

> May 2 - 8, 2021 as Correctional Officers Week May 9 - 15, 2021 as Police Week May 15, 2021 as Peace Officer Memorial Day

> > On this 3rd Day of May, 2021

David B. Donaldson, Chairman

Ulster County Legislature