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<u>Proclamation for National Police Week - May 14-20, 2017</u> and National Peace Officers' Memorial Day - May 15, 2017

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

WHEREAS, the members of the Ocean Ridge Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens in Ocean Ridge; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agency, 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 Ocean Ridge Police Department unceasingly provide a vital public service;

NOW, therefore, I, Geoffrey A. Pugh, Mayor of the Town Of Ocean Ridge, call upon all citizens and all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 14-20, 2017 as National 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 call upon all citizens of Ocean Ridge to observe May 15th, 2017 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in honor of 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.

Furthermore, in respect for those who died, I order the flag at Town Hall to be lowered to half-staff on May 15th, and I encourage all citizens to do the same.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Ocean Ridge to be affixed on May 1, 2017.

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ATTEST:

Tracey L. Stevens, Town Clerk