



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PROCLAMATION  
Recognizing May 10-16, 2026, as  
National Police Week**

**WHEREAS**, the Wake County Board of Commissioners recognizes the sacrifice made by the brave men and women of law enforcement who have answered the call to serve and protect our communities; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the members of our law enforcement agencies play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of all those who live, work, and visit Wake County; and

**WHEREAS**, members of law enforcement recognize their duty to serve the people of North Carolina by safeguarding life and property, by protecting against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

**WHEREAS**, our nation observes Law Enforcement Officers Week and Peace Officers Memorial Day during the month of May; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout May, law enforcement agencies and other businesses, organizations, and individuals will hold appropriate events and ceremonies across North Carolina to celebrate the selfless public servants who wear the badge and put themselves in harm's way to keep us safe; and

**WHEREAS**, on Peace Officers Memorial Day, we pay respect for those who have lost their lives in the line of duty and recognize with deep gratitude the critical contributions and sacrifices of all law enforcement officers and their families. This includes the 24 fallen Wake County law enforcement officers; and

**WHEREAS**, during this month and throughout the year, Wake County commends our members of law enforcement and honors their courage and dedication.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Wake County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim May 10-16, 2026 as **NATIONAL POLICE WEEK** and May 15, 2026, as **PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY**, and urges the residents of our community, and communities across the country, to remember the officers who have given their lives in the line of duty—and to thank those who still wear the badge— by

lighting homes, businesses, and landmarks blue to honor the memory of the fallen and in solidarity with their families.

**ADOPTED** this the 4th day of May, 2026.

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Don Mial, Chair  
Wake County Board of Commissioners