

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week containing this date as National Police Week; and

**WHEREAS,** every day across the country, from our largest cities to our quietest crossroads, peace officers stand watch over our citizens, selflessly risking their lives to protect individuals, families, neighborhoods and property against crime. This week, we salute these men and women for their courage, commitment and service, and we honor those who have fallen in the line of duty. We also reaffirm our commitment to supporting law enforcement by bringing our communities together to fight crime; and

**WHEREAS,** peace officers in Jackson County and around the country fulfill a great calling in upholding the rule of law in our society. Law enforcement officers choose their profession and take their oaths knowing that theirs is a dangerous job. They accept these risks, answering the call of duty and demonstrating a willingness to serve that reflects the best of America; and

**WHEREAS,** as they work to protect our communities, peace officers often place themselves in harm's way. Some make the ultimate sacrifice in defense of others. During Police Week, and particularly on Peace Officers Memorial Day, we pay tribute to the law enforcement officers who gave their lives in the line of duty. Those who have fallen are remembered in our hearts and in the memory of our county. Through their service and sacrifice, they have earned our respect and gratitude; 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 by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder and by protecting the innocent against deception, and the weak against oppression.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Randy Sparacino, Mayor of the City of Medford, call upon all citizens of Medford and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe May 15, 2022 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.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I  
hereunto set my hand this  
5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randy Sparacino".

Randy Sparacino  
Mayor of Medford