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PROCLAMATION 2021-29 **Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week 2021**

WHEREAS, each year, America sets aside a week to salute the men and women who do the difficult, dangerous, and often thankless work of safeguarding our communities. Our Nation's peace officers embody the very idea of citizenship – that along with our rights come responsibilities, both to ourselves and to others. During Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week, we celebrate those who protect and serve us every minute of every day, and we honor the courageous officers who devoted themselves so fully to others that in the process they laid down their lives; and

WHEREAS, just as Police Officers never let down their guard, we must never let slide our gratitude. We should extend our thanks not only in times of tragedy, but for every tragedy averted – every accident avoided because a criminal was brought to justice, every life saved because police officers raced to the scene; and

WHEREAS, we encourage all citizens to make policing safer and more effective by continuing to enhance relations between law enforcement and the neighbors that they serve; and

WHEREAS, let us never forget those who have served and have answered their last call, especially these local officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty; PSP Trooper Josh Miller, PSP Corporal Bryon Dickson, Ptlm John Wilding, Scranton PD., Ptlm Daniel J.J. Lomax, Forest City PD., Deputy Sheriffs from Bradford County Christopher Michael Burgett and Michael Allen Van Kurren; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, we the Commissioners of Susquehanna County proclaim October 13 through 17, 2021 as "Police Week" and October 16, 2021 as "Peace Officers Memorial Day".

Adopted the 13th day of October 2021

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