

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

*PROCLAMATION*

**Whereas:** Congress and the President of the United States signed a proclamation which designated May 15 as Peace Officer Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as “Police Week”; and

**Whereas:** There are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated women and men of the Bellevue Police Department; and

**Whereas:** The members of the Bellevue Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the safety and freedom of all those who live, work, and visit Bellevue; and

**Whereas:** The service of our law enforcement officers has a cost; over 280 officers have died in the line of duty in Washington state and many risk life and limb to protect their communities every day.

**Now, therefore, I,** John Chelminiak, Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington, and on behalf of its City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of **May 13-19, 2018** as:

***National Police Week***

In recognition of the service given by the men and women who stand guard to preserve the rights and security of all residents.

**Further,** the City Council urges the community to observe May 15, 2018 as Peace Officer’s Memorial Day in honor of those fallen law enforcement officers and those who became disabled in the performance of their duty, and recognize the survivors of our fallen heroes.

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John L. Chelminiak  
Mayor