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PROCLAMATION

National Law Enforcement Week

May 12-18, 2024

To recognize National Law Enforcement Week 2024 and to honor the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers who protect our communities and safeguarding our democracy.

WHEREAS, there are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department;

WHEREAS, across the country, citizens take the lead to demonstrate support on National Law Enforcement Week.

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement Officers of every rank and file have chosen a profession that puts their life on the line every day for their communities/counties. They answer the call to public service that is demanding and often unappreciated. On National Law Enforcement Week, we have an opportunity to thank them for their service.

WHEREAS, the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department has been accredited since 2015 and has achieved the "Triple Crown" Award from the National Sheriff's Association for being nationally accredited in Law Enforcement, Corrections and Inmate Healthcare;

WHEREAS, Seventy-three dedicated men and woman make-up the Sheriff's Department, giving their service to the citizens of Cumberland County 24 hours a day, 365 days a year;

WHEREAS, over 33,000 calls for service were responded to during 2023, calls ranging from routine traffic stops, criminal mischief, domestic violence altercations, drug overdose or attempted murder/murder among many others;

WHEREAS, the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department has specialty training of offices in the fields of Dive Team, Drone Team, Accident Reconstruction, K9, Marine Patrol, Honor Guard and Emergency Services Unit. All high-level training to support the services provided to the citizens of Cumberland County.

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that Cumberland County Commissioners will observe May 12-18, 2024, as National Law Enforcement Week in Cumberland County, and publicly salutes the employees of the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department and thanks them for all they do for public safety in our Cumberland County. Signed this <u>8</u> day of <u>April</u>, 2024

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