## **Cumberland County Commissioners**

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## **PROCLAMATION**

## National Correctional Officers' Week

May 7 - 13, 2023

**WHEREAS**, correctional officers are trained law enforcement professionals dedicated to maintaining safe correctional facilities and ensuring the public safety; and

**WHEREAS**, correctional facilities across the U.S., are run by highly qualified and experienced individuals with a deep understanding of the challenges within the profession; and

**WHEREAS,** correctional officers and employees are responsible for the custody, care and rehabilitation of thousands of offenders every year, as well as the maintenance of safe and secure facilities; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers and employees are resourceful, capable, committed, patient and persistent professionals in criminal justice; and

**WHEREAS,** correctional officers and employees serve admirably in many different capacities, including jail administrators, chaplains, nurses, supervisors, social workers, teachers, managers and directors; and

WHEREAS, correctional officers and employees, mentor, counsel and treat offenders; and

**WHEREAS,** correctional officers and employees provide offenders with direction, while assisting with reentry and life outside corrections; and

**WHEREAS**, correctional officers and employees rise to meet any challenge and serve this honorable profession nobly and admirably;

**WHEREAS,** the dedicated men and woman of the Cumberland County Jail have displayed a high level of commitment and dedication to the County and its inmates over the last year, assuming new and greater responsibilities, taking on additional shifts all during a time the pandemic has resulted in decreased staffing levels; and now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the County Commissioners of the County of Cumberland declares the week of May 7, 2023 to be National Correctional Officers Week in Cumberland County, Maine, in honor of the men and women who deserve recognition for their service and the exceptional performance of their duties under difficult circumstances.

Signed this odd day of May, 2023  Susan E. Witonis District Two  Stephen F. Gorden District Three	Neil D. Jamieson Jr. Chair - District Qne  Patricia Smith District Four
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