State of New York

Executive Chamber

Proclamation

Whereas, each year on Police Memorial Day, New Yorkers pause to commemorate those who have dedicated themselves to upholding our laws and protecting the public, and we honor the courageous officers who made the ultimate sacrifice in carrying out their duties; and

Whereas, with solemn respect, we add the names of 55 individuals to the New York State Police Officers Memorial, each who died in service as a member of our local, state, or federal law enforcement community, and with heavy hearts, we extend our deepest condolences and offer support, comfort, and gratitude to their surviving family members and fellow officers; and

Whereas, this day is a poignant reminder of the daily sacrifices made by our statewide community of law enforcement officials – tens of thousands of courageous individuals who have chosen to follow a difficult and often life-altering path – and we are thankful to those serving today in communities across our state; and

Whereas, throughout our history, those who comprise the ranks of law enforcement have proudly worn their uniforms and willingly risked their lives as protectors of the public, serving with full knowledge of the dangers and challenges they might face each day and with devotion to upholding the duties to which they are sworn; and
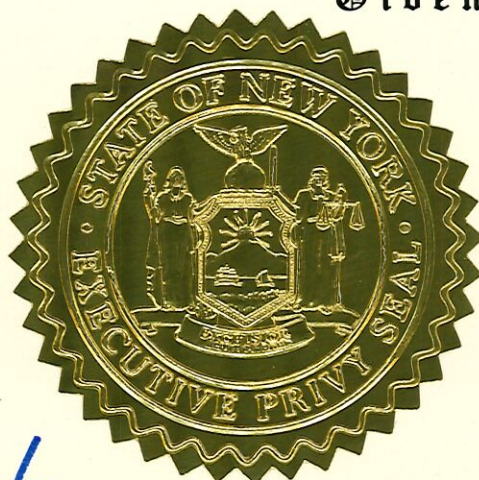
Whereas, this solemn observance provides an opportunity for reflection upon the lives and legacy of those who answer the call to duty, as people across New York State contemplate the heroic efforts of our law enforcement officers, past and present, remembering all who devoted their lives in service to their fellow human beings and, in doing so, made the ultimate sacrifice for each of us;

Now, Therefore, I, Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby proclaim May 9, 2023 as

POLICE MEMORIAL DAY

in the Empire State.

Given under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State at the Capitol in the City of Albany this eighth day of May in the year two thousand twenty-three.

Kathy Hochul
Governor

Secretary to the Governor
Karen Persichilli Keogh