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Whereas: in 1962 President John F. Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial day and the week it falls in National Police Week; and

Whereas: there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the U.S., including the dedicated members of the Racine Police Department; and

Whereas: the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) has declared police officer safety and wellness a top priority, and the IACP's Center for Officer Safety and Wellness promotes the importance of individual, agency, family, and community safety and wellness awareness; and

Whereas: it is important that all citizens know and understand the problems, duties and responsibilities of their police department, and that members of our police department recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence or disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

Whereas: National Police Week provides the opportunity to publicly salute the service of law enforcement to our community and communities across the nation.

Now Therefore: I, Cory Mason, the Mayor of Racine Wisconsin, do hereby call upon all residents to observe

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and join in commemorating police officers, past and present, who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered dedicated service.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Racine to be affixed.

Accomplished at the City Hall this 3rd day of May, 2021.