



**Proclamation 2022-03**

**To recognize National Peace Officer Memorial Day 2022 and Police Week**

**WHEREAS**, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy and the Congress of the United States of America designated May 15th as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and that week as National Police Week in order to pay special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty and for those serving for the safety and protection of others; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 End-of-Year Preliminary Law Enforcement Officers Fatalities Report shows that there were 458 preliminary law enforcement line-of-duty deaths in the US in 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Isle of Palms Police Department plays an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Isle of Palms; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards and sacrifices of their law enforcement officers and that law enforcement officers recognize their duty to serve the people of the Isle of Palms community by protecting them against violence and disorder; and

**WHEREAS**, the law enforcement officers of the City of Isle of Palms unceasingly provide a vital public service to ensure civic tranquility; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Isle of Palms direct all flags on city buildings to be flown at half-staff on May 15, 2022, in recognition of Peace Officers' Memorial Day and in memory of those law enforcement officers, who through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of their duty, and also to honor those law enforcement officers presently serving the Isle of Palms community.

**PROCLAIMED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Isle of Palms in meeting duly assembled this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Phillip Pounds", is written over a horizontal line.

Phillip Pounds, Mayor