## PROCLAMATION

## NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY AND NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

- WHEREAS; In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15 falls, as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and precaution of others.
- WHEREAS; the Shinglehouse Borough Council has declared law enforcement officer safety and wellness a top priority and promotes the importance of individual, agency, family, and community safety and wellness awareness; and
- WHEREAS; the members of law enforcement for Shinglehouse Borough play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Shinglehouse Borough; 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 deceptions and weak against oppression and intimidation; and
- WHEREAS; the Shinglehouse Borough Police Department has grown to be modern and scientific law enforcement agency which unceasingly provides a vital public service;
- THEREFORE; I, Mayor Ralph Bell, Jr. call upon all citizens of Shinglehouse Borough and upon all patriotic, civil and educational organizations to observe the week of May 13 through May 19, 2018, as National Police Week with appropriate ceremonies in which all of our people may commemorate police officers, past and present, who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in doing so, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.
- FURTHER; I call upon all citizens of Shinglehouse Borough to observe May 15, 2018, as Peace Officers Memorial Day to honor those peace officers who, through their courageous deeds, have lost their lives or have become disabled in the performance of duty.

Given under my hand and the seal of Shinglehouse Borough this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018

Mayor Ralph Bell, Jr