



Office of the Mayor

# Proclamation

## Whereas:

The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week encompassing May 15 as National Police Week; and

### WHEREAS:

The men and woman of our Nations' law enforcement play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of our citizens; from ensuring public safety, to serving as front-line workers, to responding to incidents involving domestic violence, mental health challenges and homelessness, often with limited resources; and

### WHEREAS:

Nationally, there were 617 line of duty deaths in 2021, 10 of which were from Ohio. It is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agency; and

### WHEREAS:

The Nations' law enforcement recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and

### WHEREAS:

The Nations' law enforcement heroes unceasingly provide a vital public service.

### NOW THEREFORE:

I, Sharetta Smith, Mayor of the City of Lima, Ohio do hereby proclaim the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> through May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 as

### POLICE WEEK

in Lima, Ohio encourage all citizens to commemorate law enforcement officers' faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities and to honor those officers who through their courageous deeds have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Lima, Ohio, this 18th day of May, 2022.

SHARETTA SMITH, MAYOR  
CITY OF LIMA, OHIO

