



## Proclamation

To recognize National Police Week 2017 and to honor the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty while protecting our communities and safeguarding our democracy.

**WHEREAS,** Approximately, 900,000 law enforcement officers serve in communities across the United States, including the dedicate members of the CITY OF VENUS POLICE DEPARTMENT; and

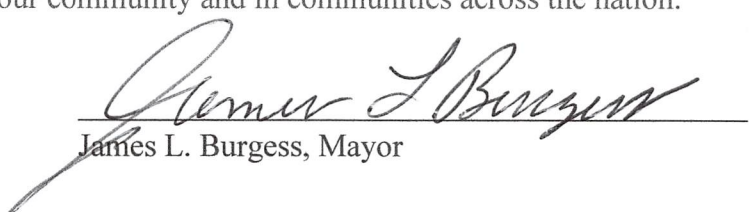
**WHEREAS,** Since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty; and

**WHEREAS,** The names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

**WHEREAS,** 394 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 143 officers killed in 2016 and 251 killed in previous years; and

**WHEREAS,** May 15th is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of all fallen officers and their families and U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the CITY OF VENUS, TEXAS formally designates **May 14-20, 2017**, as **POLICE WEEK** in VENUS, TEXAS, and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

  
James L. Burgess, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Rana Gamel, City Secretary