

**PROCLAMATION
POLICE MEMORIAL DAY**

WHEREAS, The Congress and President of the United States has designated May 15th of each year to be **Peace Officers' Memorial Day**, and the week in which May 15th falls as **National Police Memorial Week**; and

WHEREAS, Our law enforcement officers are the guardians of life and property; defenders of the individual right to be free; warriors in the battle against crime; and are dedicated to the preservation of life and property; and

WHEREAS, Our community desires to honor the valor, service, and dedication of its own police officers; and

WHEREAS, The City of Troy will observe **Police Memorial Day** on Thursday, May 14, 2015 with a dedication ceremony in front of the Troy Police Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Troy hereby proclaims **May 14, 2015, as Police Memorial Day** in the City of Troy, and call upon all our citizens to make every effort to express appreciation to these men and women who are willing to sacrifice their lives, if necessary, to guard us and our loved ones against all who would violate the law;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we invite all citizens to reflect and remember three officers, **Charles Smetana, Martin Chivas, and Charles Mulvihill** who lost their lives in service to our community. These men will forever be remembered for their ultimate sacrifice.

Presented this 11th day of May 2015.