

**TOWN OF CLAYTON
PROCLAIMING PEACE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL DAY AND
NATIONAL POLICE WEEK
MAY 15-21, 2011**

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police week; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Police Department of the Town of Clayton play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of our community; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agency, and that members of our Clayton Police Department 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 men and women of the Clayton Police Department unceasingly provide a vital public service;

NOW, therefore, let it be proclaimed by the Honorable Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clayton that the week of May 15-21, 2011, be recognized as "**National Police Week**". Citizens in the Clayton area are encouraged to recognize National Police Week with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all people may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

The Honorable Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clayton further call upon all citizens to observe Sunday, May 15, 2011, as **Peace Officers' Memorial Day** in honor 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 duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

Duly proclaimed this 2nd day of May 2011, while in regular session.

Jody L. McLeod
Mayor