## PROCLAMATION "National Police Week and Peace Officers' Memorial Day"

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Carrboro Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately 16,000 injuries; and

**WHEREAS,** The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15<sup>th</sup> as "Peace Officers' Memorial Day", and the week in which May 15<sup>th</sup> falls as "National Police Week"; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Town of Carrboro Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the Town of Carrboro; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Lydia Lavelle, the Mayor of the Town of Carrboro, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of **May 10-16, 2015** as "**Police Week**" and call upon all patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe and commemorate 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.

I further call upon all citizens of the Town of Carrboro to observe **Thursday, May 15, 2014**, 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.

| Lydia E. Lavella, Mayor | _                       |
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