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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FROM: Scott J. Dunn, Town Administrator
DATE: May 14, 2020
SUBJECT: Town Employee Appreciation

On Wednesday, May 13, 2020, the Gilford Board of Selectmen adopted a couple of proclamations (see attached) in order to recognize two specific groups of public safety employees.

First up on their agenda during their regular monthly meeting, the Board proclaimed the week of May 17-23 as National Public Works Week in recognition of the contributions that public works employees make every day to our health, safety, comfort and quality of life. It was noted the year 2020 marks the 60th annual National Public Works Week as sponsored by the American Public Works Association to acknowledge some of the key contributions made by Gilford's public works employees in the care and maintenance of streets, sidewalks, sewer, solid waste, recycling, buildings and grounds, cemeteries and Town vehicles.

Next up the Board proclaimed the week of May 10-16 as Law Enforcement Memorial Week to honor all federal, state and municipal law enforcement officials who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty. As part of this acknowledgement, the Gilford Selectmen expressed their thanks to the Gilford Police Department law enforcement officers for their unyielding dedication and heroism.

Towards the end of the meeting the Board approved the acceptance of a \$50 gift certificate that was donated to the staff of the Town Clerk – Tax Collector's Office by a citizen who appreciated the service he received at Town Hall. The Selectmen once again acknowledged the dedication of this group of Town employees and the generosity of the donor.

The underlying theme to these events is the Town of Gilford is very fortunate to have outstanding employees who consistently provide exemplary levels of customer service for the benefit of our residents, even during the challenges of a deadly, world-wide pandemic.



Proclamation

TOWN OF GILFORD

- WHEREAS,** Public works services are of vital importance to the health, safety and well-being of Gilford, New Hampshire's residents; and
- WHEREAS,** these infrastructures, facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated public works professionals, who oversee public streets and sidewalks, sewer and drainage systems, solid waste and recycle programs, building and grounds maintenance, equipment services and historic cemeteries; and
- WHEREAS,** it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders and children in Gilford, New Hampshire to gain knowledge of and an understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and,
- WHEREAS,** the year 2020 marks the 60th annual National Public Works Week, sponsored by the American Public Works Association,

NOW, THEREFORE, We the Select Board of the Town of Gilford, County of Belknap, State of New Hampshire, by virtue of the authority vested in us, do hereby proclaim the week of May 17 through May 23, 2020 be designated as

National Public Works Week

throughout the Town of Gilford, New Hampshire, and urge all of the citizenry of the Town of Gilford to join with the Department of Public Works and the American Public Works Association in recognition of the contributions, which public works employees make every day to our health, safety, comfort and quality of life.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEAL this thirteenth day of May in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN


Chan Eddy, Chairman


Gas Benavides


Kevin Hayes

Attest:

TOWN CLERK, Town of Gilford

A PROCLAMATION

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty

LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL WEEK MAY 10-16, 2020

WHEREAS, in recognition of the service given by the men and women who, night and day, stand guard in our midst to protect us through enforcement of our laws; and

WHEREAS, the week of May 15th each year is proclaimed by law as Law Enforcement Memorial Week in honor of all federal, state, and municipal officers who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty, and of those still serving; and


WHEREAS, law enforcement officers exemplify the most time-honored American ideals of public service and sacrifice, protecting the citizens of our state; and


WHEREAS, law enforcement officers are highly trained and dedicated individuals who demonstrate daily and extraordinary caliber of character and courage; and

WHEREAS, without the expectation of recognition or applause, these brave men and women routinely risk their own lives in unpredictable and volatile situations to ensure the safety of their communities and fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, we are all indebted to these brave individuals who sacrifice each and every day for the greater good of our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE TOWN OF GILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN, do hereby proclaim **MAY 10-16, 2020**, as **LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL WEEK** in the Town of Gilford, and honor those who have sacrificed their lives for our safety, and thank Gilford Police Department law enforcement officers for their unyielding dedication and heroism.


Dale "Chan" Eddy


Gus Benavides


Kevin Hayes