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**FLAGS TO BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF ON MAY 15 – PEACE OFFICERS
MEMORIAL DAY**

Bernalillo, NM – Mayor Patricia A. Chávez issues a Town of Bernalillo proclamation to honor members of the Bernalillo Police Department during National Police Week, May 14 – 20. She reminds police and other government agencies, businesses, and private citizens that all United States flags are to be flown at half-staff in observance of "Peace Officers Memorial Day" on May 15."

In 1994, the U.S. Congress and President Bill Clinton approved Public Law 103-322 authorizing the U.S. flag to be lowered to half-staff on May 15 as a special tribute to honor the thousands of American law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. National Police Week is always the calendar week, beginning on Sunday, which includes May 15.

The proclamation calls on all citizens to honor the Town of Bernalillo and other community law enforcement officers, past and present, for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

"We are proud of our law enforcement officers and the service they provide to the Town of Bernalillo to safeguard life and property and protect our citizens from violence and disorder", says Mayor Chávez. "I commend our officers for their dedication to preserving the rights and security of citizens; and we pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes."