Proclamation

WHEREAS, Since 1984 the United States has recognized the first full week in May as "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week"; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County employs over 300 full-time and intermittent Correctional Officers, Sergeants, Lieutenants, Captains, and support staff through both the Sheriff's Office and Community Corrections Department; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County Correctional Officers are skilled and professional individuals who serve 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to safely, securely, and humanely house inmates within the county, often in the face of violence and danger; and

WHEREAS, Last year, Ramsey County Correctional Officers safely and efficiently managed thousands of inmates at the Adult Detention Center and Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, In 2021, Correctional Officers continued to make the ultimate sacrifice as victims of inmate violence, medical conditions, and COVID-19 illness acquired while on duty; and

WHEREAS, while continuing to carry the significant professional and personal burden brought by the pandemic, Ramsey County Correctional Officers remain committed to their duty to keep the inmates, staff, and community safe, no matter the threat; Now, Therefore, Be It

PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners declares May 1 - 7, 2022 as Correctional Officers Week in Ramsey County in honor of the dedicated professionals who safeguard the County's inmate populations; and Be It Further

PROCLAIMED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners encourages all residents in the community to pay tribute to the Correctional Officers in Ramsey County for the essential public service they provide.

Trista MatasCastillo, Board Chair, District 3

Mary Jo McGuire, Commissioner, District 2

Rafael E. Ortega, Commissioner, District 5

Victoria Reinhardt, Commissioner, District 7

Nicole Frethem, Commissioner, District 1

Toni Carter, Commissioner, District 4

Jim McDonough, Commissioner, District 6

Ryan T. O'Connor, County Manager