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Governor Wolf Joins Fraternal Order of Police for Memorial Service to Honor Fallen Heroes

Harrisburg, PA – Today, Governor Tom Wolf joined the Fraternal Order of Police for its annual memorial service, offering remarks in tribute to the fallen heroes who have served and given the ultimate sacrifice.

“Too often, we forget that the small things we do in life are possible because these brave men and women are always there – ready and willing to help,” Governor Wolf said. “But the heroism, the bravery, the selflessness of our police officers makes our daily lives possible – and they deserve our thanks and our endless gratitude.

“They are willing to rush into danger, to run in when everyone else is running out; there is no other word for people like that than heroes.”

This 25th annual observance was held at the Forum auditorium in downtown Harrisburg with members of law enforcement, families, and local elected officials in attendance. The Central Dauphin High School singers performed and the Capitol Police F.O.P. Lodge #85 and Harrisburg City Police, F.O.P. Lodge #12 served as Color Guard.

The service included a special remembrance for four fallen officers: Deputy Sheriff Scott Alan Moyer of the Lehigh County Sheriff’s Office, Officer Shawn D. Rager of the Johnstown Police Department, Trooper Michael Paul Stewart III from the Pennsylvania State Police, and Officer Brian David Shaw of the New Kensington Police Department

“Today, in addition to the thanks we give all of our fallen officers, we specifically recognize the sacrifice of four men who laid down their lives in service of others,” Governor Wolf said. “Let us always remember these officers, and all who came before them for the sacrifice they made to keep all of us – our children, our families, and our communities, safe.”

This week is also National Correctional Officers Week, celebrated annually in the first full week of May to recognize and honor the work of correctional officers and personnel nationwide.

“While today we remember the heroism of our police officers, let us also take the time to remember all of those who serve the public safety of our citizens, and all those who have given their lives in the service of that mission, including State Correctional Officer Mark J. Baserman, who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the Pennsylvania community while working to keep

our prisons safe,” Governor Wolf said. “As we remember all of these men, let us also take the time to remember them for the wonderful lives they lived while we were lucky enough to have them with us.”

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