

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Officer J.B. Tate has served with honor and distinction as a Police Officer with the Dunwoody Police Department since March 16, 2009; and
- WHEREAS,** he served in various challenging positions with the Marietta Police Department, the Paulding County Marshall’s Office and the Dunwoody Police Department during his 31 years of service; and
- WHEREAS,** Officer J.B. Tate was one of the original hires of Chief Billy Grogan during the start-up of the Dunwoody Police Department; and
- WHEREAS,** he was one of the founders of the Dunwoody Police Department’s Child Safety Seat Check program; and
- WHEREAS,** over 2,000 car seats have been checked; saving the lives of our youngest population and preventing injuries; and
- WHEREAS,** Officer J.B. Tate established the SAFE Program at the Kingswood United Methodist Church school where he taught thousands of children since 2012; and
- WHEREAS,** he spearheaded the effort in 2016 to establish a memorial celebrating the life of DeKalb County Police Officer Thomas Atkisson who died in the line of duty in Dunwoody in 1976; and
- WHEREAS,** Officer J.B. Tate led the effort in 2018 to raise \$1,000 to have our department’s name permanently etched into the National Law Enforcement Museum in Washington, D.C.; and
- WHEREAS,** he initiated the fundraising efforts to provide monetary relief to Panama City Beach Police Officers who were displaced by Hurricane Michael in 2018. Over \$4,000 was donated; and
- WHEREAS,** it is abundantly fitting and proper that gratitude be expressed for the hard work and often unheralded contributions made by Officer J.B. Tate during his almost 12 years with the department; and
- WHEREAS,** his compassionate service and loyalty to the citizens of Dunwoody created a lasting bond with the community that will be missed; and
- WHEREAS,** Officer J.B. Tate retired on Tuesday, December 22, 2020, after 31 years of law enforcement service; including almost 12 years of service to the City of Dunwoody.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Lynn Deutsch, Mayor of Dunwoody, do hereby proclaim, January 25, 2021, as Officer J.B. Tate Day in honor of his commitment and dedication to the welfare of the citizens of the City of Dunwoody.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dunwoody to be affixed this 25th day of January, 2021.

CITY OF DUNWOODY

Lynn Deutsch, Mayor

Attest:

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk