

# PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Chief Billy Grogan began his law enforcement career in 1981, serving for the Marietta Police Department. He was promoted through the ranks and took on a variety of challenging, yet rewarding positions; and
- WHEREAS,** while serving with the Marietta Police Department, he co-developed the award winning *Marietta Strategically Targeting Areas with Resources* (M-STAR) community policing program. He retired as Deputy Chief in 2008, after 27 years of service; and
- WHEREAS,** he has served with honor and distinction as the Chief of Police of the Dunwoody Police Department since December 17, 2008; and
- WHEREAS,** in April 2009, the Dunwoody Police Department began with 40 officers and 8 civilians, and under the direction of Chief Billy Grogan, the department is now composed of 64 officers and 15 civilians; and
- WHEREAS,** under the direction of Chief Billy Grogan, the Dunwoody Police Department has earned Georgia State Certification; and
- WHEREAS,** he has earned numerous distinguished titles, including Special Olympics Georgia Torch Run Director, President of the DeKalb County Chief’s Association and President of the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police; and
- WHEREAS,** he has extensive training and experience, having graduated from the FBI National Academy, the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Seminar, the Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange program (GILEE), Georgia Command College and the Senior Management Institute of Police for Law Enforcement Executives; and
- WHEREAS,** he holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science and a Master’s Degree in Public Safety Administration; and
- WHEREAS,** he has served as a board member for GACP, GILEE, the IACP Human and Civil Rights Committee, and Atlanta’s FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force; and
- WHEREAS,** he has shown his commitment towards serving the community by hosting programs such as the department’s *Christmas for Kids* program; and by joining forces each year with various non-profits such as *Special Olympics Georgia* and *Convoy of Care* on a variety of charitable projects; and
- WHEREAS,** he has been awarded several notable awards such as the Dunwoody Homeowner’s Association’s Citizen of the Year, and the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police’s Outstanding Chief of the Year for 2023-2024; and
- WHEREAS,** his inspiring commitment towards the welfare of others is an outstanding example of the positive effect law enforcement professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and
- WHEREAS,** it is abundantly fitting and proper that gratitude be expressed for the unique and often unheralded contributions made by Police Chief Billy Grogan during his 43 years serving in law enforcement, as he prepares to retire on June 1, 2024 as Chief Emeritus; and

**NOW, THEREFORE I,** Lynn P. Deutsch, Mayor of Dunwoody, do hereby proclaim, April 8, 2024 as Chief Billy Grogan Day in honor of his lifetime commitment and dedication towards the welfare of the citizens of this state, and his belief in and unwavering support of the men and women of the Dunwoody Police Department.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dunwoody to be affixed this 8th day of April, 2024.

## CITY OF DUNWOODY

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Lynn P. Deutsch, Mayor

Attest:

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Sharon Lowery, City Clerk