



**State of Minnesota  
City of Oakdale  
Proclamation**

**WHEREAS**, 911 dispatchers, emergency medical services, fire personnel, law enforcement, and search and rescue teams protect and aid the public when there is an emergency or crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, after the Boston Marathon bombing in 2013, Police Officer Sean Collier was shot to death by bombing suspects while responding to a report of a disturbance; and

**WHEREAS**, soon after, Officer Collier's brother began a movement to recognize and honor the men and women who are first on the scene of emergencies and who risk their lives to save others; and

**WHEREAS**, every day first responders risk their own safety in the performance of their duties to protect citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, first responders are at the ready to aid others 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

**WHEREAS**, first responders undergo significant education, training, and personal sacrifice to achieve the expertise needed to respond to every type of emergency or crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2019, legislators established October 28 as "First Responders Day" in the nation.

**THEREFORE**, I, Kevin Zabel, Mayor of Oakdale, Minnesota, hereby proclaim October 28 as "First Responders Day" in the City of Oakdale.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**: I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Oakdale to be affixed on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025.

  
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Kevin Zabel, Mayor