

Proclamation

Office of the Mayor

School Resource Officer Day

Whereas: throughout the history of our country, law enforcement officers have played an essential role in safeguarding the lives and liberties of residents and have aided in providing a safe and secure environment in the community and the schools; and

Whereas: School Resource Officers (SROs) are part of the integrated educational team which protects, guides and molds our most precious gifts – our children. The SRO is a certified law enforcement officer who undergoes specialized screening and training to serve in our schools; and

Whereas: as intended, the SRO is meant to generate a positive attitude towards law enforcement, offer educational support in our fight against drugs, crime and bullying, and serve as a beneficial foundation for future interactions of our children with law enforcement in our community at large; and

Whereas: the presence of the full-time SRO also provides a deterrent to those who may think about wrongfully entering school grounds or areas surrounding our schools. Other beneficial features include traffic safety and an expedited law enforcement response to school violence or weapons; and

Whereas: School Resource Officers promote positive relationships between students and law enforcement, as well as assist each student in reaching his/her potential and prepare them to be responsible, productive members of society; and

Whereas: the City of Sunrise is and has been committed to the full-time School Resource Officers program, from elementary to high school, because the City recognizes the beneficial impact of developing strong relationships with positive role-model police officers from the earliest ages of our youth, which will then translate to positive relationships in the community, through high school graduation and beyond; and

Whereas: it is important residents and businesses throughout the entire city understand the duties, responsibilities and admirable work of our School Resource Officers as public servants who protect, guide, and mentor our most precious gifts – our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Ryan, Mayor of the City of Sunrise, Florida, along with the City Commissioners hereby proclaim Tuesday, May 26th, 2026 as:

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DAY

in the City of Sunrise and encourage all residents and businesses to reflect upon and observe School Resource Officers, past and present, who by their loyal devotion to their responsibilities have established themselves as preservers of the rights and safety of students, teachers, staff, residents and businesses.



Witness My Hand and Official Seal of
The City of Sunrise, Florida

Michael J. Ryan, Mayor