

October 28, 2025 – (Alexandria, V.A.) The National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) President Sheriff Chris West, (Canadian County, O.K.) released the following statement today on First Responders Day.

"I want to take a moment to recognize the significance of First Responders Day. This day honors the men and women behind the badge who answer the call to serve and protect our communities. Every day, they confront incredible challenges, often putting their own safety at risk—to ensure the well-being of our citizens and maintain peace in times of crisis.

First Responders Day serves as an essential reminder of the sacrifices made by these dedicated individuals. It provides our communities with an opportunity to express their gratitude and appreciation for the selfless service, courage, and commitment demonstrated by first responders across the nation. Their work embodies the very best of public service, and this recognition is a small but meaningful way to say thank you for all they do."

About the National Sheriffs' Association

The National Sheriffs' Association is one of the largest associations of law enforcement professionals in the U.S., representing more than 3,000 elected Sheriffs across the nation, and with a total membership of more than 13,000. NSA is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising the level of professionalism among sheriffs, their deputies, and others in the field of law enforcement, public safety, and criminal justice. Throughout its eighty-four-year history, NSA has also served as an information resource for all law enforcement, as well as state governments and the federal government.

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