

# City of Sanibel

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS:** Sergeant Anthony Neri was hired as a Police Aide on November 29, 2012, promoted to Police Officer on April 20, 2015, and was promoted posthumously to Sergeant on May 15, 2019; and

**WHEREAS:** Sergeant Neri passed away during a training exercise while on duty on May 6, 2019; and

**WHEREAS:** Sergeant Neri was a beloved husband, father and public servant having served 30 years as a Revenue Officer for the United States Treasury followed by nearly 7 years of service as a Police Officer with the Sanibel Police Department at the time of his passing; and

**WHEREAS:** Sergeant Neri dedicated his life to protecting those he served and maintaining peace within the Sanibel community; and

**WHEREAS:** Sergeant Neri is being remembered today for his bravery, selfless dedication, and loyalty to his family, friends, fellow officers and the Sanibel Community.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the City Council of the City of Sanibel, Lee County Florida, on behalf of the citizens and employees of Sanibel, on the 6th anniversary of Sergeant Neri's passing, declare May 6th as Sergeant Anthony Neri Memorial Day in the City of Sanibel, and we recognize Sergeant Neri for his ultimate sacrifice and express our sincerest appreciation for the exceptional service he provided to the Police Department and Sanibel community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the City of Sanibel to be affixed hereto.

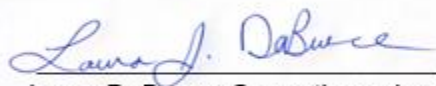
This 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025



Mike Miller, Mayor



Holly D. Smith, Vice Mayor



Laura DeBruce, Councilmember



John Henshaw, Councilmember



Richard Johnson, Councilmember