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Mayor Perkins' Statement for Law Enforcement Appreciation Day:

"Yesterday was law-enforcement appreciation day. Sadly, Shreveport wakes up painfully aware of the sacrifices police officers make every day.

As children, we look up to police officers. As we grow older, we too often take their sacrifices for granted. They are society's phalanx, the wall between us and those who have no respect for law and order. They form that wall with their life. We must never forget that.

Police officers are human beings just like the rest of us. Behind the badge is a beating heart—a father, mother, son, daughter, brother, and sister. When they put the uniform on, they put all that on the line. They are willing to sacrifice everything so you and I can feel secure; so our children can safely play at the park.

Once again, Shreveport wakes up this morning all too aware of the sacrifices police officers make. Let us not forget tomorrow. If you see a police officer, strike up a conversation with them. Tell them how grateful you are for their service. Tell them, 'Thank you.'"

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