

COVID-19 Update from Hampshire Sheriff Patrick J. Cahillane

May 27th, 2022

A Simple Prayer

As of 11 am on Friday, May 27th, there are no cases of Covid-19 inside the Hampshire County Jail and House of Correction. The individual who had tested positive late last week has now tested negative and will be out of quarantine today.

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Today is the 148th day of 2022. So far, there have been 214 mass shootings in America, leaving hundreds dead and wounded, causing unimaginable grief and suffering.

Surely those brave men and women who gave their lives defending our nation did so believing that their sacrifice would bring about a more peaceful world, certainly a more peaceful country. It's hard to imagine that the people we honor on Memorial Day would be pleased with the unrelenting violence afflicting our children, our families, our communities. It's hard to believe that they died so that we might tolerate 214 mass shootings in 148 days.

217 days remain in 2022. My simple prayer is that we, as a multi-ethnic, democratic society, will find the courage and the compassion to take the actions needed to heal our grievous wounds and bring ourselves closer to the peaceful nation our honored veterans died to protect.

We can't let another day go by.

The HSO family wishes your family a happy and safe Memorial Day.

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