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S. RES. 146

Designating the week of May 12 through May 18, 2013, as “National Police Week”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 16, 2013

Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SESSIONS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. COONS, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BURR, and Mr. MENENDEZ) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Designating the week of May 12 through May 18, 2013,
as “National Police Week”.

Whereas, in 1962, John Fitzgerald Kennedy proclaimed May 15 to be “Peace Officers Memorial Day”, and designated the calendar week in which May 15 falls as “National Police Week”;

Whereas law enforcement officers are charged with pursuing justice and protecting communities in the United States;

Whereas State and local police officers, sheriffs, and other law enforcement officers across the United States serve with dignity and integrity;

Whereas law enforcement officers serve as first responders to natural disasters such as Hurricane Isaac and Hurricane Sandy;

Whereas law enforcement officers serve as first responders to terrorist attacks such as the bombings at the Boston Marathon in Boston, Massachusetts, and to accidents such as the fertilizer plant explosion in West, Texas;

Whereas law enforcement officers selflessly risk their personal safety in the interest of public safety;

Whereas Peace Officers Memorial Day honors law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty;

Whereas Peace Officers Memorial Day this year honors 143 law enforcement officers recently killed in the line of duty, including Randall L. Benoit, Brandon Joseph Nielson, Jeremy Michael Triche, Ricky Ray Issac, Jr., Howard Evans Jr., Raymundo Dominguez, Steven C. D. Green Sr., David W. Riddlesperger, Scott J. Ward, William H. Coleman, James D. Lister, David W. Wargo Jr., Barbara A. Ester, Robert L. Paris Jr., Kenyon M. Youngstrom, Jeremy S. Bitner, James J. Davies, Leide W. DeFusco, Celena C. Hollis, Mary K. Ricard, Matthew R. Tyner, William H. Dyer III, Michael K. Erickson, Barbara A. Pill, Christopher A. Schaub, Bruce E. St. Laurent, Ruben H. Thomas III, David A. White, Sean L. Callahan, Robert W. Crapse Sr., Elgin L. Daniel, Richard J. Halford, Shawn A. Smiley, Larry L. Stell, Gail D. Thomas, Garret C. Davis, Eric C. Fontes, Chad M. Morimoto, Nikkii Bostic-Jones, Kyle W. Deatherage, Lamont C. Reid, Timothy A. Betts, Britney R. Meux, Robert L. Atherly, Davis S. Gogian, Herbert D. Proffitt, Carl A. Rakes, Mark A. Taulbee, Charles B. Licato, Adrian A. Morris, William D. Talbert, Forrest E. Taylor,

Teresa L. Testerman, Kevin E. Ambrose, Peter J. Kneeland, Jose Torres, Ryan Tvelia, Joseph T. Candie, Patrick J. O'Rourke, Thomas E. Decker, Michael J. Walter, William M. Mudd, Christopher R. Parsons, George F. Ross Sr., Tracy A. Hardin, Denny Lawrence, Michael P. Maloney, James G. Hoopes III, Christopher W. Reeves, Robert A. Potter, Amanda D. Anna, Fermin S. Archer Jr., Michael J. Chiapperini, Arthur Lopez, Joseph P. Olivieri Jr., Christopher M. Pupo, Bobby G. DeMuth Jr., Jeremiah M. Goodson Jr., Dewayne C. Hester, William R. Mast Jr., Edward A. Pounds, Randall S. Thomas, William L. Wright, Jason E. Gresko, Frank D. Mancini, William C. Coen, Brian E. Hayden, Jeffrey M. McCoy, Blake T. Coble, Bradley M. Fox, Avery E. Freeman, Brian J. Lorenzo, Moses Walker Jr., Maxwell R. Dorley, Sandra E. Rogers, David C. Gann, Martoiya V. Lang, Justin D. Maples, Javier Arana Jr., Brian D. Bachmann, Angel Garcia, Paul Hernandez, Joshua S. Mitchell, Jonathan K. Molina, Edrees Mukhtar, Jimmie D. Norman, Jamie D. Padron, Michael R. Smith, Joshua S. Williams, Aaron R. Beesley, Jard D. Francom, Morton M. Ford III, Andrew D. Fox, Michael C. Walzier, Chris Yung, Tony V. Radulescu, Marshall L. Bailey, Michael T. May, Eric M. Workman, Sergio Aleman, Jennifer L. Sebens, Margaret A. Anderson, Merrill A. Bruguier, Leopoldo Cavazos Jr., David R. Delaney, James R. Dominiguez, Terrell Horne III, Nicholas J. Ivie, Julio D. La Rosa, Preston B. Parnell, Jeffrey Ramirez, Abimael Castro-Berrocales, Pedro R. Cora-Rivera, Noel D. Cordero-Guzman, Francis A. Crespo-Mandry, Carlos R. Lozada Vergara, Isaac J. Pizarro-Piazarro, Wilfredo Ramos-Nieves, Ivan G. Romas-Matos, Victor M. Soto-Velez, and Colvin T. Georges; and

Whereas more than 35 law enforcement officers across the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice during the first 4 months of 2013, including Officer Sean Collier of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Police Department: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates the week of May 12 through May
3 18, 2013 as “National Police Week”;

4 (2) expresses strong support for law enforce-
5 ment officers across the United States for their ef-
6 forts to build safer and more secure communities;

7 (3) recognizes the need to ensure that law en-
8 forcement officers have the equipment, training, and
9 resources necessary to protect their health and safe-
10 ty while they are protecting the public;

11 (4) recognizes the members of the law enforce-
12 ment community for their selfless acts of bravery;

13 (5) acknowledges that police officers and other
14 law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate
15 sacrifice should be remembered and honored; and

16 (6) encourages the people of the United States
17 to observe National Police Week with appropriate
18 ceremonies and activities that promote awareness of
19 the vital role of law enforcement officers in building

- 1 safer and more secure communities across the
- 2 United States.

