

County of Monterey

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 24-118

Adopt a resolution proclaiming May 9 through May 18, 2024, National Police Week)
and May 15, 2024, Peace Officers' Memorial Day in the County of Monterey.....)

WHEREAS, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day, and additionally the calendar week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Monterey County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1786, there are currently 24,067 law enforcement officers in the United States who have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC; and

WHEREAS, 282 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 118 officers killed in 2023 and 164 officers killed in previous years; and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored during the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 36th Candlelight Vigil, on the evening of May 13, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Candlelight Vigil is part of National Police Week, which will be observed this year May 9 through May 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS, May 15 is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of all fallen officers and their families and U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, that May 9 through May 18, 2024, be proclaimed National Police Week in the County of Monterey and publicly acknowledges and honors the dedicated service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that May 15th, 2024, shall be Peace Officers' Memorial Day in the County of Monterey, and the United States Flag shall be flown at County offices on this date.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 7th day of May 2024

Chair Supervisor Glenn Church

Vice Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez

Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

Supervisor Luis Alejo

Supervisor Mary L. Adams

