## City of El Paso de Robles

## **PROCLAMATION**

## NATIONAL PEACE OFFICER MEMORIAL DAY AND NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

May 9 - May 15, 2010

WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Paso Robles Police Department; and

Whereas, some 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately 16,000 injuries; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded peace officer death in 1792, nearly 19,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including one member of the Paso Robles Police Department, David N. Morehouse on May 6, 1919; and

WHEREAS, 125 peace officers in our nation (6 in California) were killed in the line of duty during 2009; and

WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants will be engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C. and the California Peace Officer Memorial in Sacramento; and

WHEREAS, National Peace Officer Memorial Day (May 15th each year) and National Police Week, May 9-15, 2010, was established in 1962 by President John F. Kennedy and a joint resolution of Congress to pay tribute to the local, State, and Federal law enforcement officers who serve and protect us with courage and dedication; and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored during the San Luis Obispo County Criminal Justice Administrators' Association local memorial service, on the morning of Wednesday, May 12, 2010, at 10:00 AM at the Atascadero Veteran's Memorial.

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Duane Picanco, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and speaking on behalf of the entire City Council, formally designate May 15, 2010, as National Peace Officer Memorial Day and May 9-15, 2010, as National Police Week in Paso Robles, and publicly salute the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.



In witness whereof, on the 4th day of May 2010, I have herunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Paso Robles to be affixed.

Duane Picanco, Mayor City of El Paso de Robles