City of El Paso de Robles

PROCLAMATION

National Peace Officer Week May 15 - 21, 2011

- 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, 171 peace officers in our nation (9 in California) were killed in the line of duty since we last gathered in memoriam of officer line of duty deaths in May of 2010;
- WHEREAS, California Highway Patrol Officer Brett Oswald, from our local Templeton CHP substation, was one of those officers killed in the line of duty during 2010 and the Paso Robles Police Department will have a memorial brick engraved with his name as a permanent remembrance in the Public Safety Center Memorial Wall; 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 18, 2011 and National Police Week, May 15-21, 2011, 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 18, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. at the Paso Robles Public Safety Center.

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 15-21, 2011, as 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 this 17th day of May 2011, I have hereunto 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