

# City of El Paso de Robles PROCLAMATION

## National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day December 21, 2011

**WHEREAS**, *difficult economic times and a limited amount of both rental and single-family housing has made it difficult for a number of San Luis Obispo County residents to find adequate housing, and;*

**WHEREAS**, *the winter poses extreme hardship for unsheltered and inadequately housed low-income men, women and children in Paso Robles; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the spirit of the holiday season of giving provides an opportunity for affirmation and renewal regarding the commitment to end homelessness; and*

**WHEREAS**, *December 21st has been designated National Homeless Persons; Memorial Day by the National Coalition for the Homeless and the National Health Care for the Homeless Council and is so recognized by cities, counties and states nationwide; and*

**WHEREAS**, *in this season of generosity and sharing, citizens of Paso Robles are encouraged to commit themselves to promoting compassion and concern of all brothers and sisters, especially those who are poor and homeless; and*

**WHEREAS**, *in remembering those who have died on the streets, the cause of ending homelessness is kept urgent as is the city's collective commitment to preventing such deaths in the future.*

**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 December 21<sup>st</sup> as NATIONAL HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL DAY. In recognition of the people who have died homeless in and around Paso Robles and we hereby ask all citizens to take a moment of silence in remembrance and encourage our citizens to support all local efforts to eliminate homelessness in our community.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on this 6th day of December 2011,  
I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the  
City of Paso Robles to be affixed.*

*Duane Picanco*

*Duane Picanco, Mayor  
City of El Paso de Robles*