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SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Scheffel and Garcia,

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Lawrence and McCann,

Senate Committees

House Committees

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 16-026

101 CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF "FIRST RESPONDER
102 APPRECIATION DAY".

1 WHEREAS, First responders risk their own safety and personal
2 property in the execution of their duties to protect the public on a daily
3 basis; and

4 WHEREAS, First responders are the first line of defense for the
5 public against threats, both domestic and foreign; and

6 WHEREAS, First responders stand at the ready to come to the aid
7 of the citizens of the United States of America twenty-four hours a day;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, First responders are a vital part of our communities,

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Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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1 not only standing ready to deal with emergencies but also volunteering in
2 our schools and community organizations; and

3 WHEREAS, Individuals, both career and volunteer, including
4 police, fire, emergency medical services, search and rescue, and other
5 organizations in the public safety sector, come together as a collective to
6 aid the public in the event of an emergency; and

7 WHEREAS, Colorado joins the following states in designating
8 September 27 as "First Responder Appreciation Day": Alabama, Alaska,
9 Arkansas, Arizona, Delaware, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland,
10 Massachusetts, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North
11 Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South
12 Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, The Colorado General Assembly wishes to honor and
15 support all first responders with an annual day of appreciation; now,
16 therefore,

17 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventieth General Assembly*
18 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

19 (1) That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly,
20 designate September 27, 2016, as "First Responder Appreciation Day";

21 (2) That we recognize and honor the actions of first responders
22 who performed heroic actions in the line of duty or went above and
23 beyond the call of duty, including: Paramedic Robert "Bob" Marlin, South
24 Metro Fire Rescue; Chief Carl Tatum, Hanover Fire Protection District;
25 Captain Dan Hrouda, Fire Inspector, Evergreen Fire Rescue; Limon
26 Ambulance Service; Tim Dienst, CEO, Ute Pass Regional Emergency
27 Medical Services; Greg Foley, Grand County Search and Rescue and the
28 Mountain Rescue Association; Captain Erich Barber, Grand County
29 EMS; Tactical Officers Robert Wolf and Dan Carter, K-9 Officer John
30 Ford, and Patrol Officer Mike Zamonas, Colorado Springs Police
31 Department; Chief Jack Lee, Paradox Fire Department; Dispatcher Cindy
32 Link, Teller County Sheriff's Office; Captain Tom Ruane, Lieutenants
33 Kris Soppe, Brian Myers, and Steve Winters, and Firefighters Jeremy
34 Kunze, Jamie Gutschick, Mike Polletta, Justin Cihak, Landon Mauck,
35 Chris Villegas, Bo Hutchinson, Andrew Lowe, Craig Staloway, Erik
36 Long, Cameron Halverson, and Brian Koontz, Colorado Springs Fire

1 Department; Deputy Jeffrey Brunkow of the Boulder County Sheriff's
2 Office; Lieutenant Brian King, Engineer Michael Ditolla, and Firefighters
3 Nicholas Coster and Christopher Rathburn, Denver Fire Department; Dr.
4 Robert Morrow, Walsh Ambulance Service; Officers Melissa
5 Manzanares, Ryan Beale, Mark Donohue, and Bob Wilson, and
6 Dispatcher Mark Derham, Golden Police Department; Deputies Steven
7 Pike and Christopher Caro, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office; Lieutenant
8 Toni Russell, Hot Sulphur Springs Fire Department; Robert Good and
9 Janee Gautreaux, AMR Colorado Springs/El Paso County; EMT Nicole
10 Richards, Kit Carson County Ambulance Service; and Paramedic Chad
11 Bauer, Ute Pass Regional Emergency Medical Services;

12 (3) That we recognize and honor the first responders who died in
13 the line of duty, including: Deputy Derek Geer, Mesa County Sheriff's
14 Office; Officer Garrett Swasey, University of Colorado-Colorado
15 Springs; Trooper Jaime Jursevics, Colorado State Patrol; Corporal Nate
16 Carrigan, Park County Sheriff's Office; Trooper Taylor Joseph Thyfault,
17 Colorado State Patrol; Deputy Sheriff Travis Russell, Las Animas County
18 Sheriff's Office; and Deputy Sean Renfro, Jefferson County Sheriff's
19 Office;

20 (4) That we recognize and honor the first responders who were
21 injured in the line of duty, including: Officer Tony Lopez, Jr., Denver
22 Police Department; Officer Rachel Eid, Denver Police Department;
23 Technician John Ruddy, Denver Police Department; Master Patrol
24 Deputy Kolby Martin, Park County Sheriff's Office; Captain Mark
25 Hancock, Park County Sheriff's Office; _____ Trooper Clint Rushing,
26 Colorado State Patrol; and Deputy Sheila Kirin, Jefferson County
27 Sheriff's Office; and

28 (5) That we recognize and honor all first responders who put their
29 lives on the line daily to serve and protect the people of Colorado.

30 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
31 to:

32 (1) The following organizations: Colorado Association of Chiefs
33 of Police; County Sheriffs of Colorado; Colorado State Fire Fighters
34 Association; Colorado Professional Fire Fighters; Emergency Medical
35 Services Association of Colorado; the I Love You Guys Foundation;
36 National EMS Memorial Service; Larimer Emergency Telephone
37 Authority; Colorado State Fire Chiefs; and Colorado Search and Rescue

1 Board;

2 (2) The following government officials and offices: Stan Hilkey,
3 Executive Director, Colorado Department of Public Safety; Paul Cooke,
4 Director, Division of Fire Prevention and Control, Colorado Department
5 of Public Safety; Rocco Snart, Colorado Division of Fire Management
6 and Control, U.S. Bureau of Land Management; Mike Chard, Director,
7 Boulder County Office of Emergency Management; Jay T. Esperance,
8 Incident Commander, Rocky Mountain Incident Management Team;
9 Marti Whitmore, Public Information Officer, Ouray County; Lynn
10 Padgett, Chairperson, Ouray County Board of County Commissioners;
11 Mike Butler, Public Safety Chief, Longmont Public Safety; Melissa
12 Lineberger, Director, Center of Excellence for Advanced Technology
13 Aerial Firefighting, Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control;
14 Craig Fugate, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency;
15 and Kyle Patterson, Spokesperson, Rocky Mountain National Park;

16 (3) Tim Gregg, Executive Director of National First Responders
17 Appreciation Day;

18 (4) The following first responders: Colorado State Patrol;
19 Jefferson County Sheriff's Office; Jefferson County Regional SWAT;
20 Park County Sheriff's Office; North Fork Volunteer Fire Department;
21 Foothills Fire Department; Mountain View Fire Department; Wiggins
22 Rural Fire Department; Fort Morgan Fire Department; City of Brush Fire
23 Department; City of Aurora Police Department; Arapahoe County
24 Sheriff's Office; City of Aurora Fire Department; Emergency Medical
25 Services, Denver Health Medical Center; Emergency Department,
26 Medical Center of Aurora; Trauma Program Director, Medical Center of
27 Aurora; Emergency Medical Services, Swedish Medical Center Denver;
28 HealthOne Clinic Services EMS and Trauma Unit; Rist Canyon
29 Volunteer Fire Department; Poudre Fire Authority; City of Fort Collins
30 Police Department; Larimer County Sheriff's Office; City of Colorado
31 Springs Police Department; El Paso County Sheriff's Office; Mesa
32 County Sheriff's Office; West Metro Fire Protection District; CO-TF1,
33 FEMA Urban Search and Rescue; City of Wheat Ridge Police
34 Department; Elbert County Sheriff's Office; Great Basin Type 1 Incident
35 Management Team; Great Basin Type 2 Incident Management Team;
36 Huerfano County Fire Department; Lafayette Fire Department; Boulder
37 County Sheriff's Office; Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District - Station
38 3; Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District - Station 1; Poudre Canyon Fire
39 Protection District - Station 2; Berthoud Fire Protection District; Estes

1 Park Volunteer Fire Department; Glen Haven Area Volunteer Fire
2 Department; Poudre Canyon Fire Protection District; Glacier View Fire
3 Protection District; Livermore Fire Protection District; Loveland Fire
4 Department; Big Elk Volunteer Fire Department; Poudre Canyon Fire
5 Protection District - Station 4; Red Feather Lakes Fire Protection District;
6 Crystal Lakes Volunteer Fire Department; Wellington Fire Protection
7 District; Larimer County Sheriff's office; City of Lyons Fire Department;
8 Yarnell Fire Department; Denver Police Department; Louisville Police
9 Department; Louisville Fire Department; Lafayette Police Department;
10 Erie Police Department; Mountain View Fire Protection District;
11 Colorado Springs Fire Department; Pueblo City Fire Department; Pueblo
12 West Fire Department; Denver Fire Department; Colorado River Fire
13 Rescue; American Medical Response Pueblo; American Medical
14 Response Aurora; American Medical Response Boulder; American
15 Medical Response Canon City; American Medical Response Denver;
16 American Medical Response Golden; American Medical Response
17 Longmont; Evergreen Fire/Rescue; South Metro Fire Rescue; Wheat
18 Ridge Fire Department; and Grand County EMS; and

19 (5) Each of the first responders recognized and honored in
20 subsections (2) and (4) of this Joint Resolution and the families of each
21 of the first responders recognized and honored in subsection (3) of this
22 Joint Resolution.