



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 23-008

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CONCERNING DECLARING THE WEEK OF MAY 12-16, 2023, AS POLICE WEEK, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, DECLARING MAY 15, 2023, AS PEACE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL DAY.

WHEREAS, Congress and the President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and the week in which it falls as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, The members of the law enforcement agencies within the state of Colorado play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of the state of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, It is important that all citizens of Colorado know and understand the duties, responsibilities, and challenges of their peace officers; and

WHEREAS, It is important that peace officers throughout Colorado recognize their duty to serve the people of this state by safeguarding life and property; protecting citizens against violence, disorder, and deception; and protecting the weak against oppression or intimidation; and

WHEREAS, The law enforcement agencies within the state of Colorado have grown to be modern and professional agencies that unceasingly provide a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, The following 377 peace officers made the supreme sacrifice while serving the state of Colorado:

In 1862: James C. Richey, Deputy City Marshal of the Denver Marshal's Office;

In 1869: Robert A. Clark, Marshal of Black Hawk;

In 1872: Juan C. Tafoya of the Las Animas County S.O.;

In 1873: Ora M. Nason of the Bent County S.O.;

In 1875: Zach Allen of the Rio Grande County S.O. and James Hooker of the Elbert County S.O.;

In 1876: Charles Kast of the Las Animas P.D. and Charles Faber of the Bent County S.O.;

In 1878: George E. O'Connor of the Leadville P.D.;

In 1879: Alvin Phippenney of the Pueblo P.D. and Thomas F. Tolbert of the Leadville P.D.;

In 1880: Thomas L. Perkins of the Buena Vista P.D., John Carville and Lauriston Stewart of the Leadville P.D., and Michael O'Neal of the Kokomo P.D.;

In 1881: Lucien J. Morgan of the Chaffee County S.O. and D. Clayton Ogsbury of the Silverton P.D.;

In 1882: Harry Rivers of Tin Cup Marshal's Office, Benjamin A. Scott of the Gunnison County S.O., Samuel C. Townsend of the Leadville P.D., Edward N. Campbell of the Hinsdale County S.O., and George L. Smith, Marshal of Rico;

In 1883: James Bathurst and Baxter Stingley of the Salida P.D.;

In 1884: Andrew J. Rock of the Garfield County S.O. and Casper Zweifel, Marshal of Central Pueblo;

In 1887: Gabriel B. Hollingsworth of the Arapahoe County S.O. and Martin Duggan of the Leadville P.D.;

In 1888: Bill Thompson of the Las Animas County S.O.;

In 1889: John C. Phillips of the Denver P.D.;

In 1890: Charles F. Wanless of the Denver P.D.;

In 1891: Charles A. Hawley of the Denver P.D., Moses Lovern of the Pueblo P.D., and Joseph R. Lampkin of the Atchison, Topeka, and Sante Fe Railroad P.D.;

In 1893: Gustave Gisin of the Denver P.D.;

In 1894: A.E. Cook, Marshal of Como, and John Myers of the Gunnison County S.O.;

In 1895: Charles Emerson of the Alamosa P.D., Alpheus J. Moore of the Denver P.D., James Clark of the Telluride Marshal's Office, John Solomon of the Trinidad P.D., and William Shea, Marshal of Victor;

In 1896: Wendell P. Smith of the Denver P.D., Richard B. Williams of the Gilpin County S.O., William Green and William Kelly of the Las Animas County S.O., and Benjamin Bish of the Colorado Springs P.D.;

In 1897: Michael Hayes of the Town of Victor, Thomas J. Fahey of the Lake County S.O., and Joseph Simons of the Alamosa P.D.;

In 1898: Valentine Hoy of the Routt County S.O., Ernest Conrad and Sumner Whitney of the Summit County S.O., and Robert G. Lewis of the Hotchkiss Marshal's Office;

In 1899: Edward Farr of the Huerfano County S.O., Thomas C. Clifford and William E. Griffiths of the Denver P.D., Charles Wilcox of the Arapahoe County S.O., and Thomas Tobin of the Colorado Department of Corrections;

In 1900: Stuart K. Harvey of the Denver P.D. and William C. Rooney of the Colorado Department of Corrections;

In 1901: Elim T. Clark of the Cripple Creek P.D. and William C. Downing of the Union Pacific Railroad P.D.;

In 1902: Augustine P. Cate of the Town of Goldfield;

In 1903: Silas Martz and Elwin Slater of the Pueblo P.D.;

In 1904: Wilson E. Hammon of the Gunnison County S.O. and Hiram Bates of the Coal Creek P.D.;

In 1905: Dr. Frank Dulin and William Bohanna of the Denver P.D. and Francisco Garcia of the Las Animas County S.O.;

In 1906: William J. Thompson of the La Plata County S.O., Edward Baird of the Denver S.D., John Spellman of the Denver P.D., William Shellman of the Pueblo P.D., Edward Innes of the Mesa County S.O., and J. Horace Frisbie, Marshal of Lamar;

In 1907: Joseph Allen of the Fort Collins P.D. and Joseph A. Walker of the U.S. Secret Service;

In 1908: James Delmar Ellis of the Brighton P.D., Antonio T. Shelby of the Las Animas County S.O., William H. Beck of the Denver P.D., Rafael Pena of the Antonito Marshal's Office, William P. Stephens of the Denver P.D., and Albert Smith of the Cripple Creek P.D.;

In 1909: Alex Brighton of the Trinidad P.D. and Frederick Barner and John Dunleavy of the Pueblo P.D.;

In 1910: Samuel C. Carpenter of the Denver P.D., Arthur J. Goeglein of the Telluride Marshal's Office, and John M. Rennix, Marshal of New Castle;

In 1911: Jesse B. Craig, Sr. and Jacob A. Kipper of the Rocky Ford P.D., Andrew Sandberg of the Denver P.D., and Charles E. Brockman of the Fort Collins P.D.;

In 1912: William McPherson of the Denver P.D.;

In 1913: John B. Russell of the Colorado Department of Corrections and Norman F. Patterson, Constable of Pueblo;

In 1915: Frank Peak of the Loveland P.D.; William Langdon of the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad P.D.; and Victor Helburg of the Louisville P.D.;

In 1916: William H. Cabler of the Denver P.D. and Charles P. Eyser, Marshal of Fort Morgan;

In 1917: Andrew J. Hunter of the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad P.D.;

In 1918: John McKee and William Wesley Green of the Pueblo County S.O., John Rowan of the Colorado Springs P.D., and Luther McMahill, Frank Potestio, and Peter A. Walsh of the Denver P.D.;

In 1919: Emerson L. McKinnon and George C. Klein of the Denver P.D. and Jeff Evans of the Pueblo P.D.;

In 1920: James E. Boggio and Roy O. Downing of the Denver P.D., L.P. Bass of the Boulder P.D., William Stretcher of the Boulder County S.O., Harvey Calvin Neese of the Cripple Creek P.D., and Addison O. Hinsdale, Jr., of the Pueblo P.D.;

In 1921: William O. Steam, Clarence E. Zietz, Arthur J. Pinkerton, and Forrest Ross of the Denver P.D.; John Henry Lindamood of the Fountain P.D.; and Clyde McDonald of the Monte Vista P.D.;

In 1922: Blaine J. Wilson of the Logan County S.O., Eddie Bell of the Colorado Mounted Rangers, Richie Rose of the Denver P.D., and Charles T. Linton of the U.S. Federal Reserve;

In 1923: Leonard Higgins of the Adams County S.O., Elmer E. Cobb of the Boulder P.D., and Marion E. Sanders of the El Paso County S.O.;

In 1924: Jack Rose of the Walsenburg P.D., Henry E. Robart of State Prohibition, and Willis A. Davis of the Delta County S.O.;

In 1925: James Shannon of the Denver P.D. and Clyde L. Taylor of the U.S. Treasury;

In 1927: Elmer I. Rich of the Denver P.D. and Clem Eller of the Oak Creek P.D.;

In 1928: James W. Hair of the U.S. Secret Service, Charles Pebley of the Delta P.D., and Harry R. Ohle of the Denver P.D.;

In 1929: Charles Edward Gibbs of the Routt County S.O.; Clarence W. Alston and Thomas J. Durkin of the Denver P.D.; and Myron H. Goodwin, J.W. McClelland, Elmer G. Erwin, John J. Eeles, Raymond Brown, C. Walter Rinker, Charles G. Shepherd, and Robert A. Wiggins of the Colorado Department of Corrections;

In 1930: Coral A. Hickman of the Kiowa County S.O., William B. Justice of the Washington County S.O., and Dale F. Kearney of the U.S. Department of Justice;

In 1931: William Keating of the Denver P.D.;

In 1933: Adolpho Rodrigues of the Costilla County S.O., and John F. Dea and George P. Schneider of the Denver P.D.;

In 1934: Thomas J. O'Connor, John J. O'Donnell, and Clarence E. Fraker of the Denver P.D., Kenneth Meenan of the National Park Service, and Chris J. Fahey of the Leadville P.D.;

In 1935: Alson E. McCasland of the Denver P.D., Alfred A. Personett of the Prowers County S.O., W.W. Dunlap of the Montezuma County S.O., Lee S. Whitman of the Greeley P.D., and Elmer Trout of the Pueblo P.D.;

In 1936: Pasquale Marinaro and Robert M. Campbell of the Denver P.D.;

In 1937: Forrest E. Sawyer of the Denver P.D. and Oscar W. Meyer of the Eagle County S.O.;

In 1938: Jacob G. Benner and Fred Renovato of the Denver P.D. and Fidel Aguirre of the Huerfano County S.O.;

In 1939: Franklynn Dean of the Mancos P.D. and Earl F. Burns of the Denver P.D.;

In 1940: Alva E. Thompson of the Craig Marshal's Office, Morris Dolan of the Cripple Creek P.D., Clarence B. Fugate of the Jefferson County S.O., Earl J. Bucher of the Weld County S.O., and Raymundo Martinez and Eduardo Dominguez of the Conejos County S.O.;

In 1941: George Kaltenberger of the Colorado Springs P.D. and Arnold B. Gulzow of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1944: Andrew P. Sanderson of the U.S. Treasury;

In 1945: Louis Box of the Rocky Ford P.D., Benjamin L. Goorman of the Arapahoe County S.O., Virgil M. Hall of the Denver P.D., and James M. Campbell of the Colorado Division of Wildlife;

In 1946: Wallace M. McCarty of the Colorado State Patrol and Raymond B. Lewis of the Castle Rock P.D.;

In 1947: E. Clarence Martin of the Las Animas P.D.;

In 1949: Alvin Nelson of the Leadville P.D. and Harold M. Bechtelheimer of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1950: Joe E. Tucker of the Pueblo County S.O.;

In 1951: Wesley Rosette of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1952: John Armour Stitt, Marshal of Paonia, and Wesley A. McDonald and James L. Jackson of the Washington County S.O.;

In 1953: William A. Claassen of the Denver P.D., Richard Ware of the Evans P.D., Guy Everett O'Neal of the Monte Vista P.D., and Richard Burchfield of the Colorado Springs P.D.;

In 1956: Floyd E. Gresham and Melvin E. Phillips of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1957: Richard J. Cahalan of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1958: Donald L. Seick of the Denver P.D. and Raymond J. McMaster of the Boulder P.D.;

In 1959: Richard C. Edstrom of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1960: Kenneth R. Baker of the Town of Glendale P.D. and Frank J. Jackson of the Adams County S.O.;

In 1961: Merlin H. Koerner of the Lincoln County S.O., Hiram V. Short of the Colorado State Patrol, John Clark of the Eagle County S.O., Edward Smerdel of the Denver P.D., Robert G. Beghtol of the Arvada P.D., and Victor B. McMillin of the Colorado Department of Corrections;

In 1962: Darrell J. Suer and Carl B. Knobbe of the Denver P.D.;

In 1965: Paul L. Major of the Denver P.D.;

In 1966: Albert M. Alcorn and Nicholas A. Carhart of the Colorado State Patrol and Nathaniel R. Lacy of the National Park Service;

In 1967: Gerald R. Williams of the Colorado State Patrol, Vincent Swiskoski of the Walsenburg P.D., and Francis S. Townsend of the Fremont County S.O.;

In 1968: Larry B. Enloe of the Colorado State Patrol, James W. Mitchell of the Larimer County S.O., and Paul D. Wilson of the Denver P.D.;

In 1971: Merle E. Nading and William J. Wirtz of the Denver P.D.;

In 1972: James A. Chew of the Steamboat Springs P.D. and Donald R. Kartchner of the La Plata County S.O.;

In 1973: Rudolpho F. Sanchez of the Costilla County S.O., Danny R. Barnes of the Adams County S.O., Stephen D. Hensley of the Delta P.D., Gary D. Mills of the Boulder P.D., Thomas R. Carpenter of the Colorado State Patrol, Larry Eugene Smith of the Otero County S.O., and Thomas M. Hanson of the Pueblo P.D.;

In 1974: Richard P. Ross of the Colorado State Patrol, John Derek Osborne of the Denver S.D., and Gale E. Emerson of the Durango P.D.;

In 1975: William E. Smith and Donald L. DeBruno of the Denver P.D.; Phillip N. Lopez of the Ute Mountain Tribal Police; Bernard Carter, Dennis Ives, and Harry Allen of the Colorado Springs P.D.; Jack R. Coler of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; Michael H. James of the Colorado State Patrol; and Donald R. Laabs of the Manitou Springs P.D.;

In 1976: Michael O. Conley of the Estes Park P.D., W. Hugh Purdy of the Colorado State Patrol, and Jameson M. Longworth of the Greeley P.D.;

In 1977: Dean L. McLaughlin and Larry E. Boles of the Union Pacific Railroad Police, Oliver P. Cain of the Center P.D., and Janet Hinkle of the Boulder P.D.;

In 1978: Wayne G. Bryant of the Douglas County S.O. and Virgil Mason of the San Juan County S.O.;

In 1979: Robert C. Watson of the Larimer County S.O., Frances I. Galvin of the Colorado State Patrol, and Walter M. Northey of the Arvada P.D.;

In 1980: Perry S. Watkins of the U.S. Secret Service, Augustus J. Perreira of the Colorado Springs P.D., Perry Messina of the Federal Heights P.D., James K. Farris of the Colorado State Patrol, and Edward A. Martinez of the Denver S.O.;

In 1981: Eugene E. Kiefer of the Clear Creek County S.O., Kathleen Garcia of the Denver P.D., Debra Sue Corr of the Aurora P.D., and Frank McAteer of the La Plata County S.O.;

In 1982: Richard E. Hart of the Firestone P.D., Mark L. Dabbling of the Colorado Springs P.D., and Fredrick C. Rehmer of the Fort Morgan P.D.;

In 1983: Larry F. McMaster of the Montrose P.D.;

In 1984: Edgar B. Rains, Jr., of the Northglenn P.D. and Clifton Browning, Jr., of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;

In 1985: Thomas J. Dietzman, Jr., of the Aurora P.D.;

In 1986: William J. Truesdale of the Jefferson County S.O. and Patrick J. Pollock of the Denver P.D.;

In 1987: James E. Wier of the Denver P.D., Stephen P. Miller of the Jefferson County S.O., Daniel R. Stillwell of the Denver S.D., Edward J. Hockom of the Aurora P.D., and Charles A. Fry of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1988: Robert W. Wallis of the Denver P.D. and Dale R. McLaughlin of the Adams County S.O.;

In 1989: Joseph A. Ynostroza of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1990: Delford H. Kay of the Ute Mountain Tribal Police and Cecilia M. Cipriani-Benefiel of the El Paso County S.O.;

In 1992: Hugh A. Martin of the El Paso County S.O. and Lyle F. Wohlers of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 1993: Norman Anthony Silva II of the Denver S.O. and Roland O. Lackey of the Arapahoe County S.O.;

In 1994: Beth Haynes of the Boulder P.D., Roger Coursey of the Hinsdale County S.O., and Marc A. Perse of the Colorado Department of Corrections;

In 1995: Shawn J. Leinen of the Denver P.D., Timothy M. Mossbrucker of the Jefferson County S.O., Ronald R. Beatty of the Larimer County S.O., and Brent A. Holloway of the Teller County S.O.;

In 1996: Trevor R. Staszak of the Buena Vista P.D.;

In 1997: Ronald L. DeHerrera, Bruce L. VanderJagt, and Michael E. Dowd of the Denver P.D.;

In 1998: Dale Claxton of the Cortez P.D.;

In 1999: Ronald M. King of the Douglas County S.O., Robert B. Pollock of the Adams County S.O., and Gary Caponera of the Bent County S.O.;

In 2000: Dennis M. Licata of the Denver P.D.;

In 2001: Jason L. Manspeaker of the Colorado State Patrol, Ryan Cunningham of the Vail P.D., Daniel C. Dalley of the Fruita P.D., Phillip Keith Mason of the Colorado Division of Wildlife, and Jason Scott Schwartz of the Fremont County S.O.;

In 2002: James Olterman of the Colorado Division of Wildlife and Eric J. Autobee of the Colorado Department of Corrections;

In 2004: Travis W. Sass of the Larimer County S.O.;

In 2005: Donald Young II of the Denver P.D., Jeffrey A. Christensen of the National Park Service, and Greg R. Boss of the U.S. Postal Service;

In 2006: Jared Jensen and Kenneth C. Jordan of the Colorado Springs P.D. and Michael D. Thomas of the Aurora P.D.;

In 2007: Douglas D. Byrne of the Aurora P.D. and Zachariah E. Templeton of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 2008: Nicholas Heine of the Pueblo P.D.;

In 2009: David J. Kinterknecht of the Montrose P.D.;

In 2010: Samuel K. Brownlee of the Weld County S.O.;

In 2011: Jay Sheridan of the Limon P.D. and David Roberts of the Denver P.D.;

In 2012: Jeremy Bitner of the Englewood P.D., Celena Hollis of the Denver P.D., Matthew Tyner of the Colorado Springs P.D., Leide William DeFusco and Warren W. Watts of the Pueblo County S.O., James Jeffery Davies of the Lakewood P.D., Mary K. Ricard of the Colorado Department of Corrections, and Molly Tyler White of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 2013: Thomas L. Clements of the Colorado Department of Corrections and Kevin W. Denner of the Littleton P.D.;

In 2014: David Michael Baldwin of the Jefferson County S.O.;

In 2015: Garrett Swasey of the University of Colorado Colorado Springs P.D., Jaimie Jursevics and Taylor Thyfault of the Colorado State Patrol, and Sean Renfro of the Jefferson County S.O.;

In 2016: Nate Carrigan of the Park County S.O., Derek Geer of the Mesa County S.O., and Cody Donahue of the Colorado State Patrol;

In 2017: Zackari Parrish III of the Douglas County S.O.;

In 2018: Heath Gumm of the Adams County S.O., Micah Flick of the El Paso County S.O., and Matthew Moreno of the Las Animas County S.O.;

In 2019: William Moden of the Colorado State Patrol, Daniel H. Groves of the Colorado State Patrol, and Joshua Eli Voth of the Colorado Department of Corrections;

In 2020: Jeff Hopkins of the El Paso County S.O., Brendan Unitt of the Larimer County Department of Natural Resources, Curt Holland of the Commerce City P.D., and Robert E. Sandoval of the Denver P.D.;

In 2021: Wayne Stephen Weyler of the Mesa County S.O., Joseph Pollack of the Douglas County S.O., Clay Livingston of the Elbert County S.O., Ty Alan Powell of Windsor P.D., Eric Scherr of the Aurora P.D., Gordon Beesley of Arvada P.D., Daniel "Duke" Trujillo of Denver Sheriff's Department, James Herrera of Denver Sheriff's Department, Eric Huston Talley of Boulder P.D., and Miguel A. Ortiz and David E. Mize of the U.S. DHS Immigration and Enforcement;

In 2022: Andrew A. Peery of the El Paso County S.O. and Dillon M. Vakoff of the Arvada P.D.;

In 2023: Julian Becerra of the Fountain P.D.; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting and appropriate for the citizens of Colorado to join together in commemorating peace officers, past and present, who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to their community and, in doing so, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-third General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:

(1) That we, the members of the General Assembly, hereby proclaim the week commencing May 12, 2023, as Police Week in Colorado, in recognition of peace officers' efforts in safeguarding the citizens of Colorado, and call upon all citizens of the state and upon all patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe Police Week; and

(2) That we hereby proclaim the day of May 15, 2023, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in recognition of those officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the supreme sacrifice or who have been disabled in the line of duty, and call upon the citizens of Colorado to recognize and participate in the observance of this worthy occasion.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent to Jared Polis, Governor of Colorado; Robert Cook, President of the Colorado Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc.; Dianne Bernhard, Executive Director of Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc.; Major Barry Bratt, Chairman of the Colorado Law Enforcement Memorial; Stephen Schulz, State President of the Fraternal Order of Police, Colorado State Lodge; Tyson Worrell, President of the Denver Police Protective Association; Paul Frey, President of the Colorado Police Protective Association; Colonel Matthew C. Packard, Chief of the Colorado State Patrol; Chris Schaefer, Director of the Colorado Bureau of Investigation; Dave Hayes, Chair of the Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police; James van Beek, President of the County Sheriffs of Colorado; Amy Nichols, Executive Director of County Sheriffs of

Colorado; Joseph Roybal, El Paso County Sheriff; Arvada Police Chief Ed Brady; Fountain Police Chief Christopher Heberer; and Captain Lawrence Oletski, President of the Colorado State Patrol Association.

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