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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 21-022**

101      **CONCERNING DECLARING THE WEEK OF MAY 9-15, 2021, AS POLICE**  
102              **WEEK, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, DECLARING MAY 15,**  
103              **2021, AS PEACE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL DAY.**

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

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

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

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

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

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

9           WHEREAS, The following 347 peace officers made the ultimate  
10 sacrifice while serving the state of Colorado:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

24       In 1881: D. Clayton Ogsbury of the Silverton P.D.;

25       In 1882: Samuel C. Townsend of the Leadville P.D., Edward N.  
26 Campbell of the Hinsdale County S.O., and George L. Smith, Marshal of  
27 Rico;

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

- 1 In 1884: Andrew J. Rock of the Garfield County S.O. and Casper  
2 Zweifel, Marshal of Central Pueblo;
- 3 In 1887: Gabriel B. Hollingsworth of the Arapahoe County S.O. and  
4 Martin Duggan of the Leadville P.D.;
- 5 In 1888: Bill Thompson of the Las Animas County S.O.;
- 6 In 1889: John C. Phillips of the Denver P.D.;
- 7 In 1890: Charles F. Wanless of the Denver P.D.;
- 8 In 1891: Charles A. Hawley of the Denver P.D. and Joseph R. Lampkin  
9 of the Atchison, Topeka, and Sante Fe Railroad P.D.;
- 10 In 1893: Gustave Gisin of the Denver P.D.;
- 11 In 1894: A.E. Cook, Marshal of Como, and John Myers of the Gunnison  
12 County S.O.;
- 13 In 1895: Charles Emerson of the Alamosa P.D., Alpheus J. Moore of the  
14 Denver P.D., James Clark of the Telluride Marshal's Office, John  
15 Solomon of the Trinidad P.D., and William Shea, Marshal of Victor;
- 16 In 1896: Wendell P. Smith of the Denver P.D., Richard B. Williams of  
17 the Gilpin County S.O., William Green and William Kelly of the Las  
18 Animas County S.O., and Benjamin Bish of the Colorado Springs P.D.;
- 19 In 1897: Michael Hayes of the Town of Victor, Thomas J. Fahey of the  
20 Lake County S.O., and Joseph Simons of the Alamosa P.D.;
- 21 In 1898: Ernest Conrad and Sumner Whitney of the Summit County S.O.;
- 22 In 1899: Edward Farr of the Huerfano County S.O., Thomas C. Clifford  
23 and William E. Griffiths of the Denver P.D., and Thomas Tobin of the  
24 Colorado Department of Corrections;
- 25 In 1900: Stuart K. Harvey of the Denver P.D. and William C. Rooney of  
26 the Colorado Department of Corrections;
- 27 In 1901: Elim T. Clark of the Cripple Creek P.D. and William C.  
28 Downing of the Union Pacific Railroad P.D.;

- 1 In 1902: Augustine P. Cate of the Town of Goldfield;
- 2 In 1903: Silas Martz and Elwin Slater of the Pueblo P.D.;
- 3 In 1904: Wilson E. Hammon of the Gunnison County S.O. and Hiram  
4 Bates of the Coal Creek P.D.;
- 5 In 1905: Dr. Frank Dulin and William Bohanna of the Denver P.D. and  
6 Francisco Garcia of the Las Animas County S.O.;
- 7 In 1906: William J. Thompson of the La Plata County S.O., Edward Baird  
8 of the Denver S.D., John Spellman of the Denver P.D., William Shellman  
9 of the Pueblo P.D., Edward Innes of the Mesa County S.O., and J. Horace  
10 Frisbie, Marshal of Lamar;
- 11 In 1907: Joseph Allen of the Fort Collins P.D. and Joseph A. Walker of  
12 the U.S. Secret Service;
- 13 In 1908: James Delmar Ellis of the Brighton P.D., Antonio T. Shelby of  
14 the Las Animas County S.O., William H. Beck and William P. Stephens  
15 of the Denver P.D., and Albert Smith of the Cripple Creek P.D.;
- 16 In 1909: Alex Brighton of the Trinidad P.D. and Frederick Barner and  
17 John Dunleavy of the Pueblo P.D.;
- 18 In 1910: Samuel C. Carpenter of the Denver P.D., Arthur J. Goeglein of  
19 the Telluride Marshal's Office, and John M. Rennix, Marshal of New  
20 Castle;
- 21 In 1911: Jesse B. Craig, Sr., and Jacob A. Kipper of the Rocky Ford P.D.  
22 and Charles E. Brockman of the Fort Collins P.D.;
- 23 In 1912: William McPherson of the Denver P.D.;
- 24 In 1913: John B. Russell of the Colorado Department of Corrections and  
25 Norman F. Patterson, Constable of Pueblo;
- 26 In 1915: Frank Peak of the Loveland P.D.; William Langdon of the  
27 Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad P.D.; and Victor Helburg of the  
28 Louisville P.D.;
- 29 In 1916: William H. Cabler of the Denver P.D. and Charles P. Eyser,

1 Marshal of Fort Morgan;

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

4 In 1918: John Rowan of the Colorado Springs P.D., Luther McMahill of  
5 the Denver P.D., and William Wesley Green of the Pueblo County S.O.;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

28 In 1929: Charles Edward Gibbs of the Routt County S.O.; Clarence W.  
29 Alston and Thomas J. Durkin of the Denver P.D.; and Myron H.  
30 Goodwin, J.W. McClelland, Elmer G. Erwin, John J. Eeles, Raymond

1 Brown, C. Walter Rinker, Charles G. Shepherd, and Robert A. Wiggins  
2 of the Colorado Department of Corrections;

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

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

7 In 1933: John F. Dea and George P. Schneider of the Denver P.D.;

8 In 1934: Adolpho Rodrigues of the Costilla County S.O.; Thomas J.  
9 O'Connor, John J. O'Donnell, and Clarence E. Fraker of the Denver P.D.;  
10 Kenneth Meenan of the National Park Service; and Chris J. Fahey of the  
11 Leadville P.D.;

12 In 1935: Alson E. McCasland of the Denver P.D., W.W. Dunlap of the  
13 Montezuma County S.O., and Lee S. Whitman of the Greeley P.D.;

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

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

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

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

21 In 1940: Morris Dolan of the Cripple Creek P.D., Clarence B. Fugate of  
22 the Jefferson County S.O., Earl J. Bucher of the Weld County S.O., and  
23 Raymundo Martinez and Eduardo Dominguez of the Conejos County  
24 S.O.;

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

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

28 In 1945: Louis Box of the Rocky Ford P.D., Benjamin L. Goorman of the  
29 Arapahoe County S.O., and Virgil M. Hall of the Denver P.D.;

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

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

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

6 In 1951: Wesley Rosette of the Colorado State Patrol;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

30 In 1980: Perry S. Watkins of the U.S. Secret Service, Augustus J. Perreira  
31 of the Colorado Springs P.D., Perry Messina of the Federal Heights P.D.,



1 James K. Farris of the Colorado State Patrol, and Edward A. Martinez of  
2 the Denver S.D.;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

7 In 1998: Dale Claxton of the Cortez P.D. and Dale R. McLaughlin of the  
8 Adams County S.O.;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

8 In 2013: Thomas L. Clements of the Colorado Department of  
9 Corrections;

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

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

14 In 2016: Travis Russell of the Las Animas County S.O., Nate Carrigan of  
15 the Park County S.O., Derek Geer of the Mesa County S.O., and Cody  
16 Donahue of the Colorado State Patrol;

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

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

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

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

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

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

4           (1) That we, the members of the General Assembly, hereby  
5           proclaim the week commencing May 9, 2021, as Police Week in  
6           Colorado in recognition of peace officers' efforts in safeguarding the  
7           citizens of Colorado and call upon all citizens of the state and upon all  
8           patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe Police Week;  
9           and

10          (2) That we hereby proclaim the day of May 15, 2021, as Peace  
11          Officers' Memorial Day in recognition of those officers who, through  
12          their courageous deeds, have made the supreme sacrifice or who have  
13          been disabled in the line of duty, and call upon the citizens of Colorado  
14          to recognize and participate in the observance of this worthy occasion.

15                 *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent  
16          to Jared Polis, Governor of Colorado; Sharon Gibson, President of the  
17          Colorado Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc.; Dianne  
18          Bernhard, Executive Director of Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc.;  
19          Major Barry Bratt, Chairman of the Colorado Law Enforcement  
20          Memorial; Stephen Schulz, State President of the Fraternal Order of  
21          Police, Colorado State Lodge; Michael Violette, Executive Director of the  
22          Fraternal Order of Police, Colorado State Lodge; Ben Leach, President  
23          of the Colorado Police Protective Association; Stan Hilkey, Executive  
24          Record Director of the Colorado Department of Public Safety; Colonel  
25          Matthew C. Packard, Chief of the Colorado State Patrol; Chief John  
26          Camper, Director of the Colorado Bureau of Investigation; Cory  
27          Christensen, Board President of the Colorado Association of Chiefs of  
28          Police; Matt Lewis, President of the County Sheriffs of Colorado; Amy  
29          Nichols, Executive Director of County Sheriffs of Colorado; El Paso  
30          County Sheriff Bill Elder; Commerce City Chief of Police Clint Nichols;  
31          and Larimer County Sheriff Justin Smith.