

Legislation Text

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May 15 - 21, 2023, as National Police Week Proclamation

WHEREAS, in 1962, the United States Congress and President designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week in which it falls as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms which have been guaranteed by the Constitution to every American; and

WHEREAS, every day, San Leandro police officers work tirelessly to protect our residents, enforce laws, and keep our community safe in accordance with the core values of teamwork, integrity, professionalism, and service; and

WHEREAS, San Leandro police officers are "proud to serve" and report for duty with knowledge of the dangers they may face and the sacrifices they may be called upon to make; and

WHEREAS, this week we pay tribute to the police officers who protect and serve with extraordinary bravery and devote their lives in pursuit of a safe San Leandro; and

WHEREAS, National Police Week honors police officers who have dedicated their lives to the service of humanity through public safety and to the 26,283 officers who have given their lives in this noble cause and recognize them for their brave and valiant service. Tragically, three San Leandro police officers have been killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, in honor of all the fallen officers and their families, U.S. flags in the City of San Leandro should be flown at half-staff during National Police Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Juan González, Mayor of the City of San Leandro, do hereby proclaim May 15-21, 2023, as "National Police Week" in the City of San Leandro and encourage residents to join the Police Department in honoring our three fallen officers: Fred R. Haller, Donald F. Spingola, and Nels Daniel Niemi, who through their courageous deeds, made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our community. Hence, we ask all residents in our community to visit our Public Safety Memorial located in front of the San Leandro Police Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Leandro to be affixed this 1st day of May 2023