

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 205

BY SENATOR WHITE

A RESOLUTION

To designate the week of May 14-20, 2018, as Police Week in Louisiana and to commend the service of law enforcement officers and law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

WHEREAS, members of law enforcement agencies provide a vital public service and have essential roles in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, approximately nine hundred thousand law enforcement officers serve their communities across the United States; and

WHEREAS, nearly sixty thousand assaults against law enforcement officers are reported each year, resulting in approximately sixteen thousand injuries; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than twenty thousand law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty, including nine members of the Louisiana law enforcement community; and

WHEREAS, the names of these notable public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, many new names of fallen heroes will be added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, and these new names will include the one hundred thirty-five officers killed in 2017; and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored during the thirtieth annual National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund candlelight vigil held on May 15, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Tuesday, May 15, 2018, is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day to honor all fallen officers and their families.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate the week of May 14-20, 2018, as Police Week in Louisiana and does hereby commend the state's law enforcement officers and law enforcement agencies throughout Louisiana for their service to the citizens of the state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the superintendent of the Louisiana State Police, the executive director of the Louisiana Sheriffs Association, the executive director of the Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Louisiana Fraternal Order of Police.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE