

2024 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 86

BY SENATOR MIGUEZ

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Recognizes May 15, 2024, as Peace Officer Memorial Day and May 12 - 18, 2024 as Police Week at the Louisiana State Capitol.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize May 15, 2024, as Peace Officer Memorial Day and May 12 - 18, 2024, as
3 Police Week at the Louisiana State Capitol.

4 WHEREAS, on October 1, 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed Public Law
5 87-726, designating May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that
6 date falls as Police Week; and

7 WHEREAS, there are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers serving in
8 communities across the United States, including the dedicated law enforcement officers
9 serving Louisiana and parishes and municipalities throughout Louisiana; and

10 WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1786, there are currently 24,067 law
11 enforcement officers in the United States who have made the ultimate sacrifice and been
12 killed in the line of duty, including 574 officers who served in Louisiana; and

13 WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls
14 of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C., and the Louisiana
15 Law Enforcement Memorial located in Lake Lawn Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans; and

16 WHEREAS, on Peace Officers Memorial Day, the names of the following fallen
17 heroes who served Louisiana will be read at the May 15th service on the United States
18 Capitol Lawn and were previously recognized on May 8, 2024, at the Louisiana Law

1 Enforcement Memorial: Senior Police Officer Trevor Abney; Corporal Scotty Canezaro;
2 Sergeant Charles Dotson; Deputy Marshal Barry Giglio; Lieutenant Michael Godawa;
3 Corporal Shawn Kelly; Officer Carl Kimball; Deputy Sheriff Marilyn Mayo; Corporal
4 Robert McKinney; Deputy First Class Kyle Melancon; Detective Sergeant Nicholas Pepper;
5 and, Sergeant David Poirrier; and

6 WHEREAS, our nation owes a debt of gratitude to our peace officers who made the
7 ultimate sacrifice to keep our great nation and state safe; and

8 WHEREAS, May 15th is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of
9 all fallen officers and their families and U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
11 does hereby recognize May 15, 2024, as Peace Officer Memorial Day and May 12 - 18,
12 2024, as Police Week at the Louisiana State Capitol; does hereby commend the state's law
13 enforcement officers for their noble and exemplary accomplishments; and does hereby
14 express enduring appreciation for the tremendous honor and pride they bring to Louisiana
15 citizens.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

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