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IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY OREGON

PROCLAMATION NO. 02-5-8- 1) IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING MAY 12-
) 18, 2002 AS NATIONAL POLICE OFFICERS
) MEMORIAL WEEK AND MAY 15 AS POLICE
OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have designated May 12-18 as National Police Officers Memorial Week; and

WHEREAS, the members of local law enforcement agencies provide critical services to safeguard the welfare, safety and freedom of all Lane County citizens; and

WHEREAS, officers recognize an abiding responsibility to serve citizens by protecting their life and property against violence and crime, at times putting their own safety on the line during the course of that duty, at times giving their own lives to save others; and

WHEREAS, it is important to share with the public the depth and degree of service rendered by law enforcement professionals as they carry out their duties as officers of the peace, and to remember the heroism, bravery, and remarkable dedication of police officers, made clear during local as well as during Sept. 11, 2001's unprecedented national tragedy; and

WHEREAS, May 15 will serve as Police Officers Memorial Day and a ceremony honoring all those killed or disabled while protecting and serving the public during 2001 will be held at 11 a.m. in the Free Speech Plaza of the Lane County Courthouse.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Board of County Commissioners does hereby proclaim the week of May 12-18 as Police Officers Memorial Week, and May 15 as Police Officers Memorial Day and calls on all Lane County citizens to take every opportunity to reflect on and commemorate the courage and faithfulness demonstrated, and to remember the enduring sacrifice made by so many police officers this year to ensure our freedoms, our rights, and our safety.

Dated this 8th day of May 2002.



Chair, Lane County Board of Commissioners