

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 55th Legislature (2015)

3 SENATE  
4 RESOLUTION 33

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution designating May 10-16, 2015, as Police  
8 Week in Oklahoma, and saluting the service of law  
9 enforcement officers throughout the state and across  
10 the nation.

11 WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement  
12 officers serving in communities across the United States, including  
13 the dedicated members of the law enforcement community of our great  
14 state; and

15 WHEREAS, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers  
16 are reported each year, resulting in approximately 16,000 injuries;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than  
19 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the  
20 ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including  
21 488 Oklahoma members of local Police Departments, County Sheriff  
22 Offices, Township and County Constable Offices, the Alcoholic  
23 Beverages Laws Enforcement Commission, the Oklahoma Bureau of  
24 Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, the Oklahoma State Bureau of

1 Investigation, the Oklahoma City Justice of the Peace, the Oklahoma  
2 Lake Patrol, the Oklahoma Department of Corrections, the Oklahoma  
3 Department of Wildlife Conservation, the Oklahoma Highway Patrol,  
4 the Oklahoma State Office of Juvenile Affairs, the Will Rogers  
5 Airport Police Department, and the U.S. Marshals Services; and

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

9 WHEREAS, 273 new names of fallen heroes are being added to the  
10 National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including  
11 117 officers killed in 2014 and 156 officers killed in previous  
12 years; and

13 WHEREAS, 11 new names of Oklahoma fallen heroes are being added  
14 to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring,  
15 including 3 officers killed in 2014 and 8 officers killed in  
16 previous years; and

17 WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the  
18 line of duty will be honored during the National Law Enforcement  
19 Officers Memorial Fund's 27th Annual Candlelight Vigil, on the  
20 evening of May 13, 2015; and

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

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION  
2 OF THE 55TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

3 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate formally designates May 10-16,  
4 2015, as Police Week in Oklahoma, and publicly salutes the service  
5 of law enforcement officers in our communities throughout the state  
6 and in communities across the nation.

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