

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 836

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A RESOLUTION to designate May 15, 2010, as "Police Memorial Day" and May 9-15, 2010, as "Police Memorial Week" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, in providing for the domestic tranquility of the community as a whole, society recognizes the need for a system of laws; and

WHEREAS, the enforcement of the law has been entrusted to a small number of dedicated individuals; and

WHEREAS, these individuals, known as law enforcement officers, daily face the rigors of human conflict in protecting those whom they so selflessly serve; and

WHEREAS, a number of these officers have been disabled and maimed in the line of duty, and others have suffered physical impairments and other disorders caused by the hazards of their professional calling; and

WHEREAS, each May during National Police Week the nation pauses to recognize the service and sacrifice of America's law enforcement officers, with ceremonies held in Washington, D.C., and in communities throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, established in 1962 by President John F. Kennedy and a joint resolution of Congress, National Police Week pays special tribute to those officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others; and

WHEREAS, each year a significant number of these courageous officers give their lives in the name of the State of Tennessee while protecting their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that those officers who have dedicated their lives to the service of humanity through law enforcement and those officers who have given their lives in

this noble cause be recognized and remembered for the accomplishment of their high purposes;
now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby designate May 15, 2010, as "Police Memorial Day" and May 9-15, 2010, as "Police Memorial Week" in Tennessee in honor of the brave and valiant service rendered by the many law enforcement officers throughout this State and Nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared and delivered to its sponsor for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.