## RESOLUTION NO. R-021- 051

## THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 9-15, 2021 AS LAW ENFORCEMENT WEEK IN DOUGLAS COUNTY, COLORADO AND HONORING THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF THOSE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY WHILE PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES AND SAFEGUARDING OUR DEMOCRACY.

- *WHEREAS*, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Douglas County Sheriff's Office; and
- *WHEREAS*, since the first recorded death in 1791, almost 25,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty, including Deputy Zack Parrish in 2017, and two other members of the Douglas County Sheriff's Office; and
- **WHEREAS**, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and
- *WHEREAS*, 394 new names of fallen heroes were added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial this spring, including 295 officers killed in 2020 and 99 officers killed in previous years; and
- **WHEREAS**, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored during the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 33rd Annual Candlelight Vigil (virtually), on the evening of May 13, 2021; and
- *WHEREAS*, the Candlelight Vigil is part of National Police Week, which takes place this year on May 9-15, although in-person events are planned for the week of October 13-17, 2021 due to COVID-19; and
- *WHEREAS*, May 15 is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day, in honor of all fallen officers and their families and U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff; therefore
- **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Douglas, Colorado formally declares May 9-15, 2021, as Law Enforcement Week in Douglas County and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.
- **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 11th day of May, 2021, in Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado.

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