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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 132—Relative to peace officers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 132, as introduced, Galgiani. California Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

This measure would designate Monday, May 2, 2016, as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and would urge all Californians to honor those individuals who have given their lives for our safety and express appreciation to those who continue to dedicate themselves to making California a safer place in which to live and raise our families.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, Monday, May 2, 2016, is California Peace Officers'
- 2 Memorial Day, a day Californians observe in commemoration of
- 3 those noble officers who have tragically sacrificed their lives in
- 4 the line of duty; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Although California citizens are indebted to our
- 6 California peace officers each day of the week, we make particular
- 7 note of their bravery and dedication and we share in their losses
- 8 on California Peace Officers' Memorial Day; and

1 WHEREAS, California peace officers have a job second in
2 importance to none, and it is a job that is as difficult and dangerous
3 as it is important; and

4 WHEREAS, The peace officers of California have worked
5 dutifully and selflessly on behalf of the people of this great state,
6 regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves; and

7 WHEREAS, By the enforcement of our laws, these same officers
8 have safeguarded the lives and property of the citizens of California
9 and have given their full measure to ensure these citizens the right
10 to be free from crime and violence; and

11 WHEREAS, Special ceremonies and observations on behalf of
12 California peace officers provide all Californians with the
13 opportunity to appreciate the heroic men and women who have
14 dedicated their lives to preserving public safety; now, therefore,
15 be it

16 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
17 *thereof concurring*, That the Legislature recognizes California's
18 peace officers who were killed in defense of their communities in
19 2015:

20 Officer Michael J. Johnson, San Jose Police Department, End
21 of Watch: March 24, 2015.

22 Officer David J. Nelson, Bakersfield Police Department, End of
23 Watch: June 26, 2015.

24 Sergeant Scott P. Lunger, Hayward Police Department, End of
25 Watch: July 22, 2015.

26 Officer Bryce E. Hanes, San Bernardino Police Department, End
27 of Watch: November 5, 2015; and be it further

28 *Resolved*, That the Legislature also recognizes California's peace
29 officers who were killed in defense of their communities in prior
30 years, but not yet enrolled:

31 Officer William H. Waggoner, Long Beach Police Department,
32 End of Watch: December 18, 1954; and be it further

33 *Resolved*, That the Legislature designates Monday, May 2, 2016,
34 as California Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and urges all
35 Californians to remember those individuals who have given their
36 lives for our safety and express appreciation to those who continue
37 to dedicate themselves to making California a safer place in which
38 to live and raise our families; and be it further

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
- 2 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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