



**CITY OF LODI  
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

**AGENDA TITLE:** Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Month of May 2014 as Peace Officers' Memorial Month in Lodi  
**MEETING DATE:** April 16, 2014  
**PREPARED BY:** Chief of Police

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Presentation of proclamation proclaiming the month of May 2014 as Peace Officers' Memorial month in Lodi.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** California Peace Officers' Memorial ceremonies have been conducted at the State Capitol since 1977. The ceremony honors the 19,555 law enforcement officers who have fallen in the line of duty in the United States and recognizes the sacrifice and loss families have suffered. Of the 105 line of duty deaths in 2013, California's loss was 10 officers. This year, the week of May 11 through May 17 is designated National Police Week.

On Monday, May 5, the Lodi Police Honor Guard will participate in the California Peace Officers' Memorial Enrollment Ceremony in Sacramento. Members of the Lodi Police Department, led by its Honor Guard, will hold a ceremony early the morning of Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the gravesite of Officer Rick Cromwell (5/7/63 – 12/9/98), the only Lodi police officer killed in the line of duty. The Honor Guard will then participate in the Stockton Police Officers Association's Peace Officers Memorial service honoring fallen law enforcement officers from throughout San Joaquin County.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None.

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** Not applicable.

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Mark Helms  
Chief of Police

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**APPROVED:**   
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Stephen Schwabauer, Interim City Manager