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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
AR NO. 2009-84

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING MAY 8, 2009 AS POLICE
MEMORIAL DAY AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR REMEMBERING AND HONORING THOSE WHO HAVE
MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE IN SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY.**

WHEREAS, on Police Memorial Day we honor the memory of the fallen and recognize those who devote their lives to enforcing our laws, bringing criminals to justice, and making our communities safer; and

WHEREAS, all law enforcement officers deserve our appreciation for the work they do, and citizens fulfill an important civic responsibility by supporting their work to protect our community; and

WHEREAS, our dedicated peace officers put themselves at great risk while working tirelessly on the front lines in the fight against crime; and

WHEREAS, behind the name of each who died in the line of duty lies a story of courage and devotion to duty, not to mention a deep sense of loss; for the service, the country, and, above all, for friends, relatives and partners; and

WHEREAS, as we remember the fallen officers, we also remember their survivors; and

WHEREAS, we can never repay these gallant men and women for their service or adequately comfort their families. We can only honor their memory – not only in words and ceremony, but in our determination to promote justice, uphold the law, and preserve the peace and safety they helped purchase with their lives; and

WHEREAS, the following Anchorage Police Department Officers have given their lives in the line of duty:

Officer Benjamin F. Strong (1968)
Officer Johnathan P. Flora (1975)
Officer Harry Kier (1980)
Officer Harry B. Hanson, Jr. (1986)
Officer Louie G. Mizelle (1989)
Officer Dan R. Seely (1996)
Officer Justin T. Wollam (2001)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1: That the Anchorage Assembly remembers and honors all those who have died in the line of duty by recognizing May 8, 2009 as "Police Memorial Day."

Section 2: That all residents are encouraged to remember the fallen and their loved ones.

Section 3: That all people are urged to thank the men and women of law enforcement who serve our community and protect our citizens.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 28th day of April, 2009.

Debbie Ossiander
Chair

ATTEST:

Barbara E. J. J. J.
Municipal Clerk