RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MAY 15 OF EACH YEAR AS PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY AND THE CALENDAR WEEK OF EACH YEAR DURING WHICH SUCH MAY 15 OCCURS AS PEACE OFFICERS WEEK

WHEREAS, The peace officers of America have worked devotedly and selflessly on behalf of the people of this Nation, our State and Santa Barbara County, regardless of the peril or hazard to themselves; and

WHEREAS, these officers have safeguarded the lives and property of their fellow Americans; and

WHEREAS, by the enforcement of our laws, these same officers have given our country internal freedom from fear of the violence and civil disorder that is presently affecting other nations;

WHEREAS, these men and women by their patriotic service and their dedicated efforts have earned the gratitude of our citizens:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors do hereby issue proclamations (1) designating May 15 of each year as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of the Federal, State and municipal officers who have been injured, disabled or killed in the line of duty, and designating in each year the calendar week during which such May 15 occurs as Peace Officers Week, in recognition of the service given by the men and women who, night and day, stand guard in our midst to protect us through enforcement of our laws, and (3) inviting our communities and the people of Santa Barbara County to observe such day and week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 17th day of May, 2005 by unanimous vote of all members present.