WHEREAS, in 1961 President John F. Kennedy designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the May 15 calendar week as Police Week; and

WHEREAS, Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week are observances in the United States that pay tribute to local, state, and federal law enforcement officers who have been killed or disabled in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial wall in Washington, D.C. features the names of the nearly 19,000 law enforcement officers who have been killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, tragically, there have been seven Bernalillo County sheriff deputies, 14 Albuquerque police officers and 174 officers from agencies statewide killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico celebrates Peace Officers Memorial Month and observances will be held in Albuquerque at Civic Plaza Downtown, starting at noon on Monday May 19 and in Santa Fe on Wednesday May 21 at 10 a.m. at the New Mexico Department of Public Safety Law Enforcement Academy; and

WHEREAS, Peace Officers Memorial Month will also include “The Blue Ribbon Campaign,” during which blue ribbons will be handed out to honor those peace officers who currently serve our community and those who have died in the line of duty.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bernalillo County Board of County Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of May Peace Officers Memorial Month

and encourages all citizens to pay tribute to the local, state, and federal law enforcement officers who courageously serve and have made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our communities.

DONE, this 6th day of May, 2014, in Bernalillo County, State of New Mexico.

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