

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS,

the President of the United States, Congress and the General Assembly of the State of Colorado have designated May 15th as National Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week of May 12th through 18th as National Law Enforcement Memorial Week; and

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during Law Enforcement Memorial Week, and in particular on Peace Officers' Memorial Day, we honor those officers who made the ultimate sacrifice while performing their sworn duty; and

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in 2012, 120 law enforcement officers were killed in the line of duty in the United States. Six officers were killed in the line of duty in Colorado: Detective Jeremy Bitner, Englewood Police Department; Officer James Davies, Lakewood Police Department; Captain Leide DeFusco, Pueblo County Sheriff's Office; Officer Celena Hollis, Denver Police Department; Sergeant Mary Ricard, Department of Corrections; and Officer Matthew Tyner, Colorado Springs Police Department; and

WHEREAS.

the City of Northglenn tragically lost one of their own officers, Corporal Edgar "E.B." Rains Jr., who was killed in the line of duty 29 years ago on May 30th, 1984. In honor of Corporal Rains and other fallen officers, a candlelight vigil will be held in E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park on Thursday, May 16, 2013; and

WHEREAS,

it is fitting and appropriate for all citizens to join together in commemorating police officers, past and present, who by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities have rendered a dedicated service to their community, helping to preserve the rights and security of all citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Joyce Downing, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim May 12th through 18th, 2013 as National Law Enforcement Memorial Week in the City of Northglenn and call upon all citizens to observe this week with appropriate ceremonies and observances.

I FURTHER proclaim May 15th, 2013 as National Peace Officers' Memorial Day in the City of Northglenn in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 13th day of May 2013.