



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 15th through 21st as National Law Enforcement Memorial Week; and

WHEREAS, 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

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 22,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have been killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, 128 law enforcement officers were killed in the line of duty in the United States. Four officers were killed in the line of duty in Colorado: Sergeant Sean Patrick Renfro of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office; Trooper Taylor Joseph Thyfault of the Colorado State Patrol; Trooper Jaimie Lynn Jursevics of the Colorado State Patrol; and Police Officer Garrett Preston Russell Swasey of the University of Colorado at 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 32 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 Wednesday, May 11, 2016; 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 15th through 21st, 2016 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, 2016 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 9th day of May 2016.

JOYCE DOWNING
Mayor

