

# PROCLAMATION

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Shine Blue Lights Tribute and Remembrance For Sheriff's Deputies and All Other Peace Officers

**WHEREAS**, National Police Week May 14-20 will feature ceremonies honoring officers who gave their lives working to keep the peace; and honor the more than 20,000 officers killed on duty since 1791; and

**WHEREAS**, Carson City will participate in the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Nevada Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ceremony May 4, 2017, on the state Capitol grounds to honor the 130 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty since 1861; and

**WHEREAS**, the ceremony will commemorate the officer most recently killed in Nevada, North Las Vegas Police Detective Chad Parque who died Jan. 7, 2017, when a wrong-way driver hit his car head-on; and

**WHEREAS**, the last officer to die on the job in Carson City was Sheriff's Deputy Carl Howell, killed August 15, 2015, answering a domestic violence call; and

**WHEREAS**, shining blue lights outside Carson City businesses and residences, especially during the month of May, will serve as a beacon of support for all Peace Officers and a tribute to those killed in the line of duty; and

**WHEREAS**, a Shine Blue Lights program funded by donations has been created to honor all law enforcement officers who daily risk their lives in Nevada's capital city; and

**WHEREAS**, the Campagni Auto Group will donate free blue light bulbs to the public at its dealerships; the Downtown Business Association is supplying blue ribbons to adorn city light posts, and the Nevada Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Commission and Carson City Chamber of Commerce are providing additional Shine Blue Lights assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the city is inviting merchants and homeowners to join in the memorial spirit and shine blue lights throughout May to signal support for the dangerous work of Nevada's brave law enforcement officers protecting our community at great personal risk; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carson City Mayor and Board of Supervisors believe that Shine Blue Lights should be observed as an annual city event from this year forth.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada on behalf of the Board of Supervisors and the citizens of Carson City, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2017 as **the 1st Annual Shine Blue Lights Tribute and Remembrance For Sheriff's Deputies and All Other Peace Officers Serving Carson City, Nevada.**



Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017

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Robert L. Crowell, Mayor