

Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date:February 26, 2013Prepared By/Phone Number:David Salazar, 854-9555Elected/Appointed Official/Dept.Head:County JudgeCommissioners Court Sponsor:Judge Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

APPROVE PROCLAMATION HONORING LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CORRECTIONS OFFICERS WHO DIED OR WERE INJURED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

Please see attached.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Please see attached.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

Please see attached.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

None.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

WHEREAS, The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, indicates "on average, one law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States every 53 hours";

WHEREAS, Texas leads the nation in fallen and injured officers each year, and each death or injury affects many more family members, friends, co-workers and communities;

WHEREAS, The physical, emotional and financial impact of fallen or injured officers fall upon people of all ages and abilities, and of all economic, racial and social backgrounds;

WHEREAS, It is widely known that heroes are the people who do what has to be done regardless of the consequences;

WHEREAS, "Heroes Behind the Badge" is a documentary which provides an opportunity to educate all people about the honor and distinction of men and women who become law enforcement and correction officers, and the work they perform for our communities;

WHEREAS, The documentary was created and produced by Mr. William Efurth, and it showcases the lives of 7 officers (4 fallen, 3 survivors) and provides a real-life observation of law enforcement life, the decisions made daily and the impact of those decisions;

WHEREAS, A private screening of "Heroes Behind the Badge" will be held at the State Capitol on February 28, 2013, from 5:00 PM to 8:00; and

WHEREAS, As it is written in John 15:13, (New International Version) Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 26, 2013 AS

"HEROES BEHIND THE BADGE DAY"

IN TRAVIS COUNTY, AND ASK ALL RESIDENTS OF TRAVIS COUNTY TO JOIN US IN SALUTING THE MEN AN WOMEN WHO DEDICATE THEIR LIVES TO A CAUSE MUCH BIGGER THAN THEMSELVES.

> SAMUEL T. BISCOE Travis County Judge

RON DAVIS Commissioner, Pct. 1 SARAH ECKHARDT Commissioner, Pct. 2

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