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S. RES. 140

Commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifices made by the Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who have been killed or injured in the line of duty.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 14, 2013

Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. TOOMEY)
submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Commemorating and acknowledging the dedication and sacrifices made by the Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers who have been killed or injured in the line of duty.

Whereas the well-being of all people in the United States is preserved and enhanced as a direct result of the vigilance and dedication of law enforcement officers;

Whereas more than 900,000 men and women, at great risk to their personal safety, serve the people of the United States as guardians of the peace;

Whereas peace officers are on the front lines in protecting the schools and schoolchildren of the United States;

Whereas, in 2012, 120 peace officers across the United States were killed in the line of duty;

Whereas Congress should strongly support initiatives to reduce violent crime and to increase the factors that contribute to the safety of law enforcement officers;

Whereas more than 19,000 Federal, State, and local law enforcement officers whose names are engraved upon the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, District of Columbia, lost their lives in the line of duty while protecting the people of the United States;

Whereas, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy designated May 15 as “National Peace Officers Memorial Day”; and

Whereas, on May 15, 2013, more than 20,000 peace officers are expected to gather in Washington, District of Columbia, to join the families of their recently-fallen comrades to honor those comrades and all others who went before them: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) commemorates and acknowledges the dedi-
3 cation and sacrifices made by the Federal, State,
4 and local law enforcement officers who have been
5 killed or injured in the line of duty;

6 (2) recognizes May 15, 2013, as “National
7 Peace Officers Memorial Day”; and

8 (3) calls on the people of the United States to
9 observe National Peace Officers Memorial Day with
10 appropriate ceremony, solemnity, appreciation, and
11 respect.

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