

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR RECOGNIZING “NATIONAL
POLICE WEEK”

MAY 15, 2023.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. JORDAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

together with

ADDITIONAL VIEWS

[To accompany H. Res. 363]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the resolution (H. Res. 363) expressing support for recognizing “National Police Week”, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon with amendments and recommends that the resolution be agreed to.

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The amendments are as follows:
Strike the preamble and insert the following:

Whereas Federal, State, local, and Tribal police officers, sheriffs, and other law enforcement officers across the United States serve with valor, dignity, and integrity;

Whereas law enforcement officers are charged with—

- (1) pursuing justice for all individuals; and
- (2) performing the duties of a law enforcement officer with fidelity to the constitutional and civil rights of the public the officers serve;

Whereas law enforcement officers swear an oath to uphold the public trust even though, through the performance of the duties of a law enforcement officer, the officers may become targets for senseless acts of violence;

Whereas, in 1962, President John Fitzgerald Kennedy signed Public Law 87–726 (36 U.S.C. 136) (referred to in this preamble as the “Joint Resolution”), which authorizes the President to proclaim May 15 of every year as “Peace Officers Memorial Day” in honor of the Federal, State, and local officers who have been killed, disabled, or otherwise injured in the line of duty;

Whereas the Joint Resolution also authorizes the President to designate the week in which Peace Officers Memorial Day falls as “National Police Week”;

Whereas the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, dedicated on October 15, 1991, is the national monument to honor those law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty; and

Whereas Peace Officers Memorial Day, 2023, honors the 556 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty, including 224 officers killed in 2022, as well as 332 officers killed in previous years whose stories were recovered during 2022, including—

- (1) Michael Lynn Gillis;
- (2) Bradley S.H. Johnson;
- (3) Walter Raymond Hall;
- (4) Christopher Michael Vaughn;
- (5) J’Mar Colin Abel;
- (6) Michael Keith Morgan;
- (7) Steven Scott Bobbitt;
- (8) Mickey Jay Bowen;
- (9) Kevin Len Pounders;
- (10) Steven Ray Finley;
- (11) Jeremiah Lynch;
- (12) John T. Oaks;
- (13) Marquis Dewon Moorere;
- (14) John Graham;
- (15) Walter Lewis Johnson;
- (16) Darryl Wayne Fortner;
- (17) Curtis Matthew Worland;
- (18) Jesus Delaluz Lara III;
- (19) Jeremy M.B. Wilkins;
- (20) Phillip James Vavrinec, Jr.;
- (21) Thomas Crawford Craig;
- (22) Richard D.R. Lopez;
- (23) Joshua Daniel Caudell;
- (24) Jeffery Wayne Neel;
- (25) Matthew Chandler Moore;
- (26) Michael Ray Springer;
- (27) James Roy Morgan;
- (28) Paul Daniel Newell;
- (29) Gary Lynn Bean;
- (30) Ricky Allen Entmeier;
- (31) Gary Ray Kelley;
- (32) James S. Payne;
- (33) Jeremiah James Story;
- (34) William Joseph Shibley;
- (35) Donald Mark Scoby;
- (36) Richard Alan Bianchi, Jr.;
- (37) Michael Domingo Paredes;
- (38) Joseph Anthony Santana;
- (39) Tyler Ryan Lenehan;
- (40) Arthur Garcia Duron;
- (41) Toamalama W.L. Scanlan;
- (42) Nicholas Joseph Vella;
- (43) Fernando Uriel Arroyos;
- (44) Houston Ryan Tipping;
- (45) Christopher M. Bracks;

- (46) Andrew Lee Myers;
- (47) Anthony Nathan Bautista;
- (48) Armando Fernandez Meneses;
- (49) Pedro Romo;
- (50) Jamie John Arakawa;
- (51) Timothy David Tellez;
- (52) Amber Joy Leist;
- (53) John Mercer Black;
- (54) Morgan Wyatt Honeycutt;
- (55) Michael Edward Wall;
- (56) Robert Morrison;
- (57) Mono Jim;
- (58) Steven Michael Taylor;
- (59) Isaiah A. Cordero;
- (60) Jorge David Alvarado, Jr.;
- (61) Donald Archibald Mason;
- (62) Matthew Scott Gibbs;
- (63) Charles Morgan;
- (64) Dillon Micheal Vakoff;
- (65) James Miller Campbell;
- (66) Robert Eugene Sandoval;
- (67) Peter A. Walsh;
- (68) Frank Sam Potestio;
- (69) Andrew Steven Peery;
- (70) Marion Ernest Sanders;
- (71) Alex A. Hamzy;
- (72) Dustin William Demonte;
- (73) Diane Gonzalez;
- (74) Josip Peperni;
- (75) William Kinney;
- (76) Paul Matthew Patrick;
- (77) Christopher E.J. Taylor;
- (78) Adam James Webb;
- (79) James Michael McWhorter;
- (80) Jose Antonio Perez;
- (81) Kyle Lee Patterson;
- (82) James George Binnicker;
- (83) Edward Louis Perez;
- (84) Cesar Echaverry, Jr.;
- (85) Ray Charles Hamilton;
- (86) Shannon Mary Browning;
- (87) Ramon Caban, Jr.;
- (88) Clarence Guy Backherms;
- (89) Michael Robert Hartwick;
- (90) Christopher James Broadhead;
- (91) Blane Lee Lane;
- (92) Coby Brandon Seckinger;
- (93) Christopher Nicholas Fariello;
- (94) Walter C. Byrd;
- (95) James Walter Johnson;
- (96) Benjamin F. Wilder;
- (97) Fred Foster Crawford;
- (98) Jonathan Randall Koleski;
- (99) Marshall Samuel Ervin, Jr.;
- (100) Terry Randall Arnold;
- (101) Jean-Harold Louis Astree;
- (102) Michael Scott Howard;
- (103) Shaneca C. Napier;
- (104) Addison Montanez Ford, Sr.;
- (105) Patrick Donnell Dupree;
- (106) Talmadge Leon Tucker, Jr.;
- (107) Scott Ozburn Riner;
- (108) Sean Marcus Free;
- (109) Donald Richard Crooms;
- (110) Clifford David Barber;
- (111) Samuel Bentley Arnold;
- (112) Hughey Anderson Keller;
- (113) Henry Lee Nixon;
- (114) William Gibson;

- (115) Richard Lynn Tostenson;
- (116) Walter Donald Jenkins, Jr.;
- (117) Jamie Lynn Reynolds;
- (118) Ellsworth Arthur Teed;
- (119) Kenneth John Thurman, Sr.;
- (120) Brian Romel Shields;
- (121) Joseph Anthony Tripoli;
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- (123) James R. Svec;
- (124) Joseph Robert Tinoco;
- (125) Claude Earl Bowman;
- (126) Brian Joseph Norton;
- (127) Nicholas Joseph Kozak;
- (128) Nicholas Donald Weist;
- (129) John Venton Donaldson;
- (130) Brian Lee Sember;
- (131) Michael John Queeney;
- (132) Noah Cleon Rainey;
- (133) John Medley Whisman;
- (134) Noah Jacob Shahnavaz;
- (135) William James Cox;
- (136) Douglas Warren Sanford;
- (137) Gary Layne Weinke;
- (138) Seara Brooke Burton;
- (139) John Lawrence Grampovnik;
- (140) John Karl Williams;
- (141) Austin Wayne Richardson;
- (142) Henry Edward Graves;
- (143) James Lawrence Kent;
- (144) Michael Earl German;
- (145) David Leroy Ingle;
- (146) Stacy Annette Murrow;
- (147) Robert Price Craft;
- (148) Sidnee Taylor Carter;
- (149) Jody Wayne Cash;
- (150) Gregory Lloyd Means;
- (151) Oliver Junior Little;
- (152) William Edward Petry;
- (153) Dixon Allen Sasser;
- (154) David Michael Ragle;
- (155) Logan Kendal Medlock;
- (156) Travis Dean Hurley;
- (157) James Jerry Critchelow;
- (158) Jacob Russell Chaffins;
- (159) Ralph Harlow Frasure;
- (160) Mark Allen Pike;
- (161) Walter Lee Soileau, Jr.;
- (162) Trey Steven Copeland;
- (163) William Earl Collins, Jr.;
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- (167) Kenneth Charles Olander;
- (168) Gregory John Bednarek;
- (169) Glenn Raymond Hilliard;
- (170) Frederick Joseph Gibney;
- (171) Edward M. Day;
- (172) Lawrence J. Nagle;
- (173) Joseph Francis Eberlein;
- (174) William F. Ahern;
- (175) Peter Neary;
- (176) John J. Fitzgerald;
- (177) Charles Alexander Christie;
- (178) Jacob G. Eyssi;
- (179) Tamar Anoush Bucci;
- (180) Frederick Louis Forni;
- (181) Loi Hu Ha;
- (182) Kevin Kelly Kokinis;
- (183) Nichole Marie Shuff-Balint;

- (184) Edgar A. Cranston;
- (185) Freddie Lee Wilson;
- (186) Lloyd Michael Todd;
- (187) Loren Michael Courts;
- (188) Raymond Darnell Hughes;
- (189) Kahlil Jacquen Biddle;
- (190) George Jason Kemp;
- (191) Collin Brevik Birnie;
- (192) Theodore Radlinski;
- (193) George Arthur Ferris;
- (194) Todd Lawrence Leveille;
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- (196) Franklin Pierce Boice;
- (197) Amos Forbes;
- (198) James Allan Lear;
- (199) Ernest M. Robinson;
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- (201) Lee Eric Smith;
- (202) Jayme Lee Williams;
- (203) Joseph Budde;
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- (206) Marzell Jerome Brooks;
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- (217) Jake Alexander Reed;
- (218) Robert Boone Harris;
- (219) Janell L. Visser;
- (220) John David Luck;
- (221) Daniel Francisco Vasquez;
- (222) Justin Lee Smith;
- (223) Troy Todd Bailey;
- (224) Jeffrey Lee Hermanson;
- (225) Truong Thanh Thai;
- (226) Justin Michael Terry;
- (227) Edward Aaron Contreras, Jr.;
- (228) Douglas Michael King;
- (229) Philip Carl Closs;
- (230) Gerald Raymond Smith;
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- (232) Frank John Dustin;
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- (345) Matthew Ryan Fishman;
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- (369) Lewis Wayne Roller;
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- (372) Richard Leslie Stephens;
- (373) Brian John Gaunt;
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- (380) Charles G. Stipetich;
- (381) Branden Tyler Sisca;
- (382) Martin Francis Mack III;
- (383) Deborah Simpson-Rosario;
- (384) Vladimir Nikolaev Maleev;
- (385) Erin Lawrence Tokley;
- (386) Conklin Snow;
- (387) Charles Aloysius Prendergast;
- (388) Vasco Snow;
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- (402) Arthur Porcher Gaillard;
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- (405) Austin Derek Aldridge;
- (406) John William Berry III;
- (407) Tommy Wayne Cudd;
- (408) Braxton Michael Hofman;
- (409) David Hamilton Henry;
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- (411) Frank Keith Rezac, Jr.;
- (412) Jeffrey Herndon Carson;
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- (421) Richard Lee Barnes;
- (422) Robert Frank Clayton;
- (423) Cecil Earl Nunley;
- (424) Bridgette Lachelle Hunter;
- (425) Harold Lee Russell II;
- (426) Vince Arnold Mullins;
- (427) Gregory Lynn Triplett;
- (428) Mike Eladio Sanchez, Jr.;
- (429) Raquel Virginia Saunders;
- (430) Michael David Dunn;
- (431) Anthony Dupree Martin;
- (432) George Frederick;
- (433) James A. Gaines;
- (434) Matthew Adam Jimenez;
- (435) Ronald Rudy Butler;
- (436) Steven Robert Nothem II;
- (437) Joseph Francis Quillen, Jr.;
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- (439) Carlos David Ortiz;
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- (441) Chris Allen Bardwell;
- (442) Jack Lee Guthrie, Jr.;
- (443) Tracy Joe Dotson;
- (444) Christopher Dwayne Gibson;
- (445) John Paul Mestas;
- (446) Lonnie Pulvinar Sneed;
- (447) Barbara Ann Majors Fenley;
- (448) Schuyler Colfax Houston;
- (449) Gerardo Morales;
- (450) Julio Cesar Martinez;
- (451) Robert Carlos Yncian;
- (452) Burke Nicholas Hannibal;
- (453) Brandon Paul Tsai;
- (454) Thomas Kristopher Hutchison;
- (455) Charles Eudell Galloway, Jr.;
- (456) Jennifer Lauren Chavis;
- (457) Robert Adam Howard;
- (458) Darren Almendarez;
- (459) Ramon Gutierrez, Jr.;

- (460) Manuel Phillipe De La Rosa;
- (461) Dustin Kyle Speckels;
- (462) Sean Sebastian Rios;
- (463) Elijah Pevito;
- (464) Laquintin J. Wilson;
- (465) Franklin Joe;
- (466) Lorin Marie Readmond;
- (467) Ricky Neal Roberts;
- (468) Wayne Butch Nowell, Jr;
- (469) Sheli Yvonne Godbold;
- (470) Manuel Christopher Widner;
- (471) Robert Rivera;
- (472) Earnest Frank Oldham;
- (473) Jeffery M.D. Richardson;
- (474) Jay Vincent Pena;
- (475) David Glen Evans;
- (476) Neil Pat Adams;
- (477) Ramiro Perez III;
- (478) Lorenzo Bustos;
- (479) Billy Wayne Scheets;
- (480) Kaitlyn Breanne Ritnour;
- (481) Jade Nicole Drennan;
- (482) Lonnie D. Johnson, Jr.;
- (483) Kay Weldon Zeger, Jr.;
- (484) John Baron Broadaway;
- (485) Darrell Avery;
- (486) Mark Allen Loecken;
- (487) Ty'isha Rhoshun Harper;
- (488) Kevin D. Dupree;
- (489) Maria A. Garcia;
- (490) Ruben Martinez, Sr.;
- (491) Jerry Esparza;
- (492) Anthony Carlos Salas;
- (493) J. Adam Ashworth;
- (494) Michael Dwayne Chandler;
- (495) John Elwood Painter;
- (496) Charles Wayne Catron;
- (497) Caleb Daniel Ogilvie;
- (498) Kenneth Paul Delano;
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- (500) Trey Marshall Sutton;
- (501) David William Myers, Jr.;
- (502) Jose Ramon Rivera;
- (503) David Jonathon Nieves;
- (504) John Gregory Blankenship;
- (505) Thomas J. Wray;
- (506) Jordan Taylor Jackson;
- (507) Daniel Charles Rocha;
- (508) Daryl Wayne Shuey;
- (509) Dominique Bernardo Calata;
- (510) Donald Lewis Sahota;
- (511) Darryl Lynn Goodrich, Jr.;
- (512) Max Lee Webb;
- (513) Mitchell K. Robinson;
- (514) John Agnew;
- (515) Pete Pescatore;
- (516) Claude Thomas Spangler;
- (517) George Mitchell;
- (518) William Johnson Tabor;
- (519) Burman H. Hatfield;
- (520) Hannibal Noah Blankenship;
- (521) Samuel Payne;
- (522) Thomas Edward Baker III;
- (523) Daniel Lynn Creighbaum;
- (524) Shawn Paul Hennessee;
- (525) Yiu Tak Tao;
- (526) Raymond John Gutierrez;
- (527) Randall J. Harris;
- (528) Jason T. Dumlao;

(529) Charles M. Davis;
 (530) Eugene Smith;
 (531) Jason Dorian Nathan;
 (532) Jason Lynn Norton;
 (533) Brian Scott McElroy;
 (534) Raul Humberto Gonzalez, Jr.;
 (535) Daniel Humberto Salazar;
 (536) Michel Orlando Maceda;
 (537) Jorge Alain Arias;
 (538) Cody Alan Olafson;
 (539) Bruce Robert Eckhoff;
 (540) Brian Lee Vogel;
 (541) Jeffrey Paliza Dela Cruz;
 (542) Kenneth MacCallum;
 (543) William Clark Hayes;
 (544) David Eric Mize;
 (545) Brian Wayne Turner;
 (546) Rachel Elizabeth Vielmas;
 (547) James Dale Holdman, Jr.;
 (548) Peter Christopher Egan;
 (549) Jose Elizondo Gomez;
 (550) Michael Judson Riley;
 (551) Augustine McIntyre;
 (552) Henry Schubert;
 (553) George W. LaPorte;
 (554) Edward Patrick Savage;
 (555) William M. Williams, Sr.; and
 (556) Adrian Lopez, Sr.: Now, therefore, be it

Strike all that follows after the resolving clause and insert the following:

That the House of Representatives—

(1) acknowledges that police officers and other law enforcement personnel, especially those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, should be remembered and honored;

(2) expresses unwavering support for law enforcement officers across the United States in the pursuit of preserving safe and secure communities;

(3) recognizes the need to ensure that law enforcement officers have the equipment, training, and resources that are necessary in order to protect the health and safety of the officers while the officers protect the public;

(4) recognizes the law enforcement community for continual unseen acts of sacrifice and heroism; and

(5) expresses condolences and solemn appreciation to the loved ones of each law enforcement officer who has made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Amend the title so as to read:

Resolution memorializing law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

Purpose and Summary

H. Res. 363, introduced by Rep. Michael Guest (R-MS), expresses support for recognizing “National Police Week” and honors those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty in 2022, and those officers who died in prior years but whose stories were recovered during 2022.

Background and Need for the Legislation

According to the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), a total of 331 law enforcement officers were shot across the country in 2022, a 6% increase from 2020.¹ This total was slightly down from 2021, when a record 346 officers were shot and 63 killed.² Of the officers who were shot in the line of duty, 62 were killed—up 32% from 2020.³ When asked about what caused the uptick in violence, Patrick Yoes, the President of the FOP stated, “[t]his past year has been one of the most dangerous years for law enforcement in recent history due to the increase of violence directed towards law enforcement officers as well as the nationwide crime crisis, which has seen criminals emboldened by the failed policies of pandering prosecutors and cynical politicians.”⁴ He also argued more deaths were caused by “an open border, rogue DAs, activist judges, a revolving door criminal justice system, and generally a society that tells people you’re no longer accountable for your own actions.”⁵

The anti-law enforcement sentiments espoused by politicians and activities in recent years are having a negative ripple effect throughout the country, resulting in both ambush-style attacks on officers as well as targeted attacks.⁶ In Baltimore, after the death of an officer shot while sitting in her patrol car, Police Commissioner Michael Harrison stated that, “There is an overall climate now that is very anti-police, which adds a different angle to what used to happen periodically to police in the past years The anti-police climate would surge after a high-profile case, and usually after a month or so it would subside. But right now, we’re talking about over a year of high-profile, anti-police coverage.”⁷

In October of last year, following two years of increases in attacks on law enforcement, Philadelphia Police Commissioner Danielle Outlaw stated, “I’m outraged. I’m disgusted. I’m wondering where the level of outrage and upset is outside of the law enforcement community Right now things are wrong because the level of violence that we’re seeing against our law enforcement officers is just beyond outrageous.”⁸ State and national officials and organizations across the country are echoing the same concerns and raising the same alarms: law enforcement officers are in grave danger and few outside law enforcement seem to want to help.⁹

H. Res. 363 recognizes and honors the law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty during 2022, and law enforcement officers

¹ Melissa Klein, *More than 330 cops shot across the country in 2022, police group says*, NEW YORK POST (Jan. 14, 2023), <https://nypost.com/2023/01/14/how-many-police-officers-were-shot-nationwide-in-2022/>.

² *Id.*

³ *Id.*

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ Ashley Carnahan, *2022 saw disturbing increase in law enforcement fatalities: ‘A culture of lawlessness has gripped the country’* FOX NEWS (Jan. 15, 2023), <https://www.foxnews.com/media/2022-saw-disturbing-increase-law-enforcement-fatalities-culture-lawlessness-gripped-country>.

⁶ Josh Campbell, *Police are being ambushed, killed across the nation, law enforcement group says*, KKTV.COM. (Oct. 17, 2022), <https://www.kktv.com/2022/10/17/police-are-being-ambushed-killed-across-nation-law-enforcement-group-says/>.

⁷ Emma Tucker, *Intentional killings of law enforcement officers reach 20-year high, FBI says*, CNN (Jan. 13, 2022), <https://www.cnn.com/2022/01/13/us/police-officers-line-of-duty-deaths/index.html>.

⁸ Eric Levenson and Josh Campbell, *Shootings of police officers highlight a rise in violence and distrust*, CNN (Oct. 17, 2022), <https://www.cnn.com/2022/10/17/us/police-violence-ambush-attack/index.html>.

⁹ *Id.*

killed in previous years but whose stories were recovered during 2022. The resolution expresses support for law enforcement officers across the United States, recognizes their acts of sacrifice and heroism, and expresses condolences to the family and loved ones of those law enforcement officers who have been killed in the line of duty. Following years of rising animosity and violence towards law enforcement officers, H. Res. 363 makes clear that the House of Representatives believes that law enforcement officers should be honored for their contribution to keeping our communities safe.

Hearings

For the purposes of clause 3(c)(6)(A) of House rule XIII, the following hearing was used to develop H. Res. 363 before the Committee on the Judiciary: “Victims of Violent Crime in Manhattan,” a hearing held on April 17, 2023, before the House Judiciary Committee. The Committee heard testimony from the following witnesses:

- Madeline Brame, Chairwoman of the Victims Rights Reform Council and mother of a homicide victim;
- Jose Alba, Former Manhattan bodega clerk and victim of assault in Manhattan;
- Jennifer Harrison, Founder of Victim’s Rights New York;
- Paul DiGiacomo, President of the New York Police Department Detectives’ Endowment Association;
- Barry Borgen, Father of a victim of anti-Semitic attack in Manhattan;
- Robert F. Holden, New York City Council Member;
- Jim Kessler, Executive Vice President for Policy, Third Way; and
- Rebecca Fischer, Executive Director. New Yorkers Against Gun Violence.

During this hearing, held in New York, New York, the Committee heard directly from victims of violent crime in Manhattan. The Committee also heard testimony from the Detectives Endowment Association (DEA) President Paul DiGiacomo about the threats facing his fellow law enforcement officers, including two NYPD officers who were killed in the line of duty.

Committee Consideration

On May 10, 2023, the Committee met in open session and ordered the bill, H. Res. 363, favorably reported with amendments, by voice vote, a quorum being present.

Committee Votes

In compliance with clause 3(b) of House rule XIII, the Committee states that no recorded votes were taken during consideration of H. Res. 363.

Committee Oversight Findings

In compliance with clause 3(c)(1) of House rule XIII, the Committee advises that the findings and recommendations of the Committee, based on oversight activities under clause 2(b)(1) of rule X

of the Rules of the House of Representatives, are incorporated in the descriptive portions of this report.

New Budget Authority and Tax Expenditures

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974* and with respect to the requirements of clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974*, the Committee has requested but not received a cost estimate for this bill from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office. The Committee has requested but not received from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office a statement as to whether this bill contains any new budget authority, spending authority, credit authority, or an increase or decrease in revenues or tax expenditures. The Chairman of the Committee shall cause such estimate and statement to be printed in the *Congressional Record* upon its receipt by the Committee.

Congressional Budget Office Cost Estimate

With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, a cost estimate provided by the Congressional Budget Office pursuant to section 402 of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974* was not made available to the Committee in time for the filing of this report. The Chairman of the Committee shall cause such estimate to be printed in the *Congressional Record* upon its receipt by the Committee.

Committee Estimate of Budgetary Effects

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee adopts as its own the cost estimate prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office pursuant to section 402 of the *Congressional Budget Act of 1974*.

Duplication of Federal Programs

Pursuant to clause 3(c)(5) of House rule XIII, no provision of H. Res. 363 establishes or reauthorizes a program of the federal government known to be duplicative of another federal program.

Performance Goals and Objectives

The Committee states that pursuant to clause 3(c)(4) of House rule XIII, H. Res. 363 honors those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty in 2022, and those officers who died in prior years but whose stories were recovered during 2022.

Advisory on Earmarks

In accordance with clause 9 of House rule XXI, H. Res. 363 does not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clauses 9(d), 9(e), or 9(f) of House rule XXI.

Federal Mandates Statement

An estimate of federal mandates prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget office pursuant to section 423 of the *Unfunded Mandates Reform Act* was not made available to the Committee in time for the filing of this report. The Chairman of the Committee shall cause such estimate to be printed in the *Congressional Record* upon its receipt by the Committee.

Advisory Committee Statement

No advisory committees within the meaning of section 5(b) of the *Federal Advisory Committee Act* were created by this legislation.

Applicability to Legislative Branch

The Committee finds that the legislation does not relate to the terms and conditions of employment or access to public services or accommodations within the meaning of section 102(b)(3) of the *Congressional Accountability Act* (Pub. L. 104–1).

Section-by-Section Analysis

This resolution recognizes the countless law enforcement officers who serve their communities with valor, dignity, and integrity, explains the history behind Peace Officers Memorial Day and National Police Week, and lists 556 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty during 2022, or were killed in previous years but whose stories were recovered in 2022.

The resolution expresses support for law enforcement officers, recognizes the needs of law enforcement officers and their sacrifice and heroism, and honors fallen officers and expresses condolences to the loved ones of fallen officers.

Additional Views

I support passage of H. Res. 363, “Expressing support for recognizing ‘National Police Week,’” which provides that Congress supports recognition of National Police Week, which includes Peace Officers Memorial Day that honors law enforcement officers killed, disabled, or otherwise injured in the line of duty.

I write separately to urge my colleagues to emphasize that while Peace Officers Memorial Day, 2023 honors 556 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty, 224 officers were killed in 2022 and 332 officers died in previous years—prior to 2022.

H. Res. 363 provides that Congress supports recognition of National Police Week and the efforts of all law enforcement in keeping communities across the country safe and secure; lists by name 556 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty and whose stories were recovered during 2022; recognizes the need to ensure that officers have the equipment, training, and resources necessary to keep them safe; recognizes law enforcement for their sacrifices and heroism; acknowledges the need to remember and honor officers and personnel killed in the line of duty and expresses condolences and appreciation to their loved ones; and encourages Americans to observe National Police Week by honoring law enforcement personnel and promoting awareness of their service to their communities and the country.

Today there are more than 800,000 sworn law enforcement officers serving in the United States. From responding to 911 calls to investigating wrongdoing, to securing our public spaces, law enforcement officers are called upon to help Americans in their greatest times of need. Each day, in every corner of the country, these brave men and women risk their lives to keep the peace and keep us safe.

Sadly, each year, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial must bear the names of more fallen heroes who have given their last full measure of devotion to the communities they swore to protect and serve. Although the number is 556 this year, not all of those named were killed in 2022. 224 officers were killed in 2022 and 332 officers, whose stories were uncovered in 2022, were killed in previous years. Some gave their lives in service to their communities as far back as 1857.

While every officer named in H. Res. 363 deserves respect and their families are owed both gratitude and sympathies, it is important to make clear that the country did not suffer the loss of more than 500 law enforcement officers for a second, consecutive year. The country is still reeling from the loss of 586 officers who died in the line of duty almost entirely because of COVID-19 in 2021. But last year, of the 224 officers killed in the line of duty, 70 officers died after contracting the disease while carrying out their official duties. That is down from 405 officers in 2021—a decrease of 83 percent—despite COVID-19 remaining the number one cause of law enforcement death in 2022. And although America’s law enforcement officers continue to battle the effects of the pandemic, it is important to emphasize that there has been a significant reduction in such deaths—due in part to reduced infection rates and the widespread availability and use of vaccinations.

It is important to acknowledge those officers who have been killed in the line of duty. And just as law enforcement officers are called upon to keep Americans safe from harm, Congress must also work to make their jobs safer. That is why it is equally important to understand fully and accurately the challenges law enforcement officers are currently facing so that Congress can ensure that officers have the equipment, training, resources, and support they need to remain healthy and safe while they endeavor to keep Americans safe—as the resolution recognizes. And just as H. Res. 363 notes that law enforcement officers across the United States serve with valor, dignity, and integrity, Congress must do the same—preserving the public’s trust in the integrity of Congress—by legislating with specificity and transparency. For each of these reasons, Representative Jackson Lee offered an amendment to clarify that of the 556 law enforcement officers honored this year, 224 officers were killed in the line of duty in 2022 and the remaining 332 officers, whose stories were recovered during 2022, were killed in previous years. The amendment passed by voice vote.

H. Res. 363 rightfully recognizes National Police Week and honors law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty. While it is important to acknowledge the sacrifices made by these officers and their families, it is equally important that Congress does so

with clarity so as not to mislead the public or misrepresent the needs of law enforcement agencies across the country.

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Ranking Member.

