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MARCH FONG EU, Secretary of State
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PROCLAMATION

Twenty years ago, President John F. Kennedy signed a bill into law which proclaimed that May 15 of each year would be observed as a day of mourning for those peace officers who had been killed in the line of duty. I am pleased to join in the observance of this National Peace Officers Memorial Day.

Today's observance offers an opportunity to pay tribute not only to those who have given their lives to protect the citizens of this country - but also to those who stand ready to make the same sacrifice. It is appropriate that in observance of this day, peace officers across the country will place memorial tape over their badges, the symbol of the peace profession. As Winston Churchill once said, "With this shield, however the fates may play, we march always in the ranks of honor."

I hope that the citizens of this state will join me in this observance and take this opportunity to recognize the many services that have been rendered to their communities by peace officers.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 12th day of May 1982.

Edmund G. Brown
Governor of California

ATTEST:

March Fong Eu
Secretary of State

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Deputy Secretary