Resolution 42

NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMORIAL FUND MUSEUM AND MEMORIAL

WHEREAS, there are more than 900,000 sworn law enforcement officers now serving in the United States; and

WHEREAS, a total of 1,539 law enforcement officers died in the line of duty over the past 10 years, an average of one death every 57 hours or 154 per year; and

WHEREAS, the Memorial honors all of America's law enforcement heroes—those that have died in the line of duty and those who continue to serve and protect; and

WHEREAS, during Police Week, NLEOMF is a principal organizer of the annual tribute to those law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice and to increase public support for the law enforcement profession; and

WHEREAS, the Museum's mission is to tell the story of American law enforcement through exhibits, collections, research, and education; and

WHEREAS, the Museum will give visitors an opportunity to walk in an officer's shoes and experience firsthand what it is like to make life-or-death decisions, solve crimes, protect our communities, and safeguard our freedoms, be it

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the AFL-CIO endorses and supports the efforts of the NLEOMF to honor the law enforcement officers who have been killed in the line of duty by permanently etching their names on the Memorial and the Museum's effort to build mutual respect and foster cooperation between the public and the law enforcement profession.