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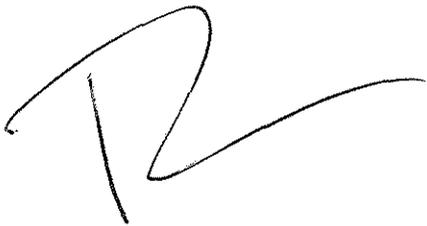
MOTION

On February 28, 1907, Policeman Clyde A. May was the first member of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) killed in the line of duty, following a shootout with a burglary suspect. Within the last six weeks, Officers Nicholas Lee and Christopher A. Cortijo became the 205th and 206th police officers to sacrifice their lives in the line of duty. The entire City grieves when these incidents occur and everyone struggles to show our collective gratitude to those fallen officers.

In early 2013, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) command officers and representatives from the Police Historical Society envisioned a memorial sign project to honor fallen LAPD officers by erecting honorary street signs at or near locations where the officers were killed. For officers killed outside the City or the Country, or overseas during combat operations, the proposal is to install honorary signs near the police station of the fallen officer, at a location near the Police Administration Building or at the Elysian Park Academy grounds. The project includes a smaller replica sign that would be made available to friends and family of the fallen officer.

LAPD has been meeting with representatives from the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to determine the feasibility of the memorial sign project and the necessary resources for its implementation. The LADOT immediately agreed to support the project and has identified the necessary funds to fabricate and install the honorary street signs.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Transportation to work with the Los Angeles Police Department to fabricate honorary street signs for all of the police officers who have been killed in the line of duty, install the signs in the approximate location of each incident to serve as an ongoing memorial to LAPD's fallen officers, and repair any signs that are damaged within 48 hours.



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