RESOLUTION NO.	
	

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA REQUESTING THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO DESIGNATE A PORTION OF STATE HIGHWAY 210 AS THE PASADENA POLICE AGENT RICHARD MORRIS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

WHEREAS, Pasadena Police Agent Richard Frank Morris gave his life for the ideals and values of our community when he was shot and killed in the line of duty on March 13, 1969 by a suspect of an assault; and

WHEREAS, Richard Morris was born on March 11, 1940 and grew up in Temple City and Rosemead. He attended Muscatel Junior High School and Rosemead High School in the San Gabriel Valley where he participated in many sports and service activities; and

WHEREAS, from 1958-60 Richard Morris attended Mt. San Antonio Junior College graduating with an Associate's Degree in Police Science. He then enlisted in the US Marine Corps Reserve; and

WHEREAS, Richard Morris' childhood, high school, college, and military experiences and his commitment to fairness, honesty, and adventure lead him to a career in police work and hoping to make a difference to his community, Richard Morris was recruited to join the ranks of the Pasadena Police Department in February 1962, and was sent to the Pasadena Police Officer's Basic Training Academy; and

WHEREAS, Richard Morris graduated from the Police Academy Training Program on March 30, 1962 and was assigned to serve the community of Pasadena. In February 1968 Richard Morris was promoted to the rank of Police Agent (Detective, Narcotics Unit); and

WHEREAS, during Agent Morris' seven years of dedicated service to the community of Pasadena, he was a rising star in the ranks of the Pasadena Police Department, aiming to attain higher ranks; and

WHEREAS, the death of Agent Richard Morris touched many lives, and all who knew him will forever remember his honor, courage, and commitment to the citizens of Pasadena;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pasadena to honor Agent Richard Morris' memory and his courage and commitment to the citizens of Pasadena for whom he gave his life, and hereby request that the Legislature of the State of California designate the portion of State Highway Route 210 in the City of Pasadena, from Rosemead Boulevard on the east, to Allen Avenue on the west as the Pasadena Police Agent Richard Morris Memorial Highway.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the City Council on the ____ day of July, 2014 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mark Jomsky, CMC City Clerk

Frank Rhemrev

Asistant City Attorney