

## 117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## S. RES. 413

Designating the week of October 3 through October 9, 2021, as "National Community Policing Week".

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

October 7, 2021

Mrs. Shaheen (for herself, Mr. Cornyn, Ms. Hassan, Mr. Van Hollen, and Mr. Peters) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

## **RESOLUTION**

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- Whereas police officers are indispensable members of the community who put their lives on the line to protect others;
- Whereas promoting strong relationships founded in trust and mutual respect between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve helps ensure the safe and effective execution of the law;
- Whereas law enforcement officers and communities that work together to address public safety concerns can create lasting solutions to difficult challenges;
- Whereas recent events have sparked a nationwide call to improve the interactions between law enforcement officers

and the communities they serve, particularly communities of color;

- Whereas community policing facilitates peaceful dialogue, capable of fostering understanding and trust, between law enforcement officers and civilians;
- Whereas community policing can help improve the equal enforcement of the laws;
- Whereas community policing informs the public about the challenges that law enforcement officers face in executing their duties and provides law enforcement officers insight into the concerns of community members;
- Whereas a long-term commitment to community policing is necessary to eliminate the underlying causes of crime;
- Whereas the advancement of community policing should be supported to ensure that State and local law enforcement agencies have necessary resources; and
- Whereas community policing has been recognized as an important tool for improving the relationship between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—
  - 2 (1) designates the week of October 3 through
  - 3 October 9, 2021, as "National Community Policing
  - 4 Week"; and
  - 5 (2) supports community policing and encour-
  - 6 ages the people of the United States, law enforce-
  - 7 ment agencies, and elected officials to identify ways

- 1 in which communities can improve public safety,
- 2 strengthen relationships, and build trust.

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