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## **ST. CHARLES COUNTY COUNCIL TO RECOGNIZE, HONOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TONIGHT**

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO. – The St. Charles County Council tonight will recognize the efforts of the County’s law enforcement officers with a resolution during its 7 p.m. meeting in the Council Chambers, 100 North Third Street in St. Charles. The resolution honors and thanks officers for the sacrifices they make responding to tragic events, often putting themselves in harm’s way.

“There have been recent events throughout St. Charles County and the region that have required involvement by our officers,” says Mike Elam, County Council Chair. “We want all of them to know that we appreciate and respect the job they do, not only during these times of unrest, but each and every day.”

Councilman Joe Brazil, District 2, says the Council specifically notes the response to the recent protest events that required significant planning and coordination by the St. Charles City and County Police Departments, as well as the Sheriff’s Department, the Department of Corrections, and other law enforcement and public safety agencies throughout St. Charles County.

“Law enforcement throughout the county responded in a collaborative, professional manner that resulted in a peaceful outcome,” Brazil says. “We are proud of these men and women who represent our county and have the utmost confidence in the work they do to keep all of us safe.”

Colonel David Todd, St. Charles County Chief of Police, will be present to accept the resolution from the Council. “I am honored to receive the resolution on behalf of all the men and women who wear the St. Charles County Police Department uniform,” Chief Todd says. “I know the sacrifices they make every day, not just for themselves, but for their families. It takes a brave, selfless person to be in law enforcement, and we are fortunate to have some of the best. I appreciate each and every day the support of the County Executive and the Council. We appreciate as a Department the acknowledgement we receive regularly from our County citizens for contributions the men and women of the department make to the community.”

St. Charles County is Missouri’s third most populated county, serving more than 385,000 residents within 587 square miles and 800 miles of public roads, 24 hours a day. The St. Charles County Police Department is one of the largest law enforcement agencies in Missouri with 130 commissioned law enforcement professionals and 57 civilian personnel. These jobs range from traffic enforcement to neighborhood directed patrols to piloting Metro Air Support helicopters.

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**About St. Charles County**

Founded in 1812, St. Charles County is one of the fastest growing counties in Missouri, and the state's third largest county in both population and economic share. St. Charles County consistently ranks one of the healthiest places to live in Missouri in the County Health Rankings report published by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute. It is home to 12 scenic county parks encompassing more than 2,800 acres with additional land under development and more in reserve for future development.

With a population of 385,840, St Charles County is home to large employers including Citi, MasterCard Worldwide, Boeing and General Motors. It is ranked among the top 25 counties in the nation in high-tech job growth by the Progressive Policy Institute and consistently has the lowest unemployment rate in the Metropolitan St. Louis area.

St. Charles County employs nearly 1,100 in more than 30 departments and offices, who work to make the county an excellent place to live, work and shop.

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