RESOLUTION

NATIONAL LATINO PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

Whereas, the **National Latino Peace Officers Association** ***(NLPOA)*** is the largest Latino Law Enforcement Organization in the United States, with local chapters in many cities throughout the country. Its membership includes Chiefs of Police, Sheriffs, Police Officers, Parole Agents, and Federal Officers, all of whom are employed at the local, state, and federal levels.

Whereas, the specific purposes of the organization are to promote equality and develop professionalism in the criminal justice system, particularly Law Enforcement; to reduce community juvenile delinquency and to lessen citizen tension in predominantly Latino communities; and to Bridge the Gap between Latinos and Law Enforcement.

Whereas, Good Stewardship of our natural resources includes enforcement of environmental laws which help ensure a high quality of life for current and future generations.

Whereas, **National Environmental Crime Prevention Week** promotes awareness and education among citizens and assists enforcement personnel to increase the identification and prosecution of environmental crimes.

Whereas, The President of the United States of America, George W. Bush has gone on the record in support of the **National Environmental Crime Prevention Week, April 17 – 23, 2005**.

Whereas, national, public and private environmental and law enforcement organizations across America such as the United States Environmental Protection Agency, The International Association of Chief's of Police, HAPCOA, and NOBLE, and others support the **National Environmental Crime Prevention Week**;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that on this date March 15, 2005, the **National Latino Peace Officers Association** do hereby support the **National Environmental Crime Prevention Week** as a means to educate families and communities about the peril of environmental crimes and to help stop environmental criminal activity and protect communities across America.

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