COUNCIL TRIBUTE NO. 2017-02

A TRIBUTE EXPRESSING SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES UPON THE PASSING OF LIEUTENANT STEVEN R. FLOYD

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Dover have been deeply saddened by the tragic death of Lieutenant Steven R. Floyd, who passed away while on duty at the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center near Smyrna, Delaware on February 2, 2017. Lieutenant Floyd was born on November 7, 1969 and was a resident of Dover, Delaware at the time of his passing. He was a 16-year-veteran of the Delaware Department of Corrections, having served all 16 years at the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Floyd’s untimely passing resulted from injuries sustained when taken hostage by inmates at the Correctional Center. His mindset during the siege was to save the lives of others, and he remained steadfast and never wavered in his duties as a sworn law enforcement officer. He was posthumously awarded the Department of Corrections Medal of Valor for his heroism and promoted from sergeant to lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Floyd was described by those he worked with as firm, fair and consistent, and as a correctional officer whose professionalism was beyond reproach. He was also described as a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather, who loved his family with all his heart.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council extend their deepest sympathy and condolences to the family, friends, and colleagues of Lieutenant Steven R. Floyd on their grievous loss, and hope that they will be consoled by the memories of his exemplary life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council direct the City Clerk to place this Tribute in the permanent records of the City of Dover and that a copy of this Tribute be provided to the family of Lieutenant Steven R. Floyd.

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 13, 2017

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