July 20, 2004

TO: Stockton City Council
FROM: Mayor Gary Podedo
SUBJECT: COUNCIL POLICY – FLAGS AT HALF STAFF

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution adopting a Council policy to establish uniform guidelines for honoring those military personnel who are killed while assigned to active duty in the United States military.

DISCUSSION

From time to time, the City Council receives requests from members of the public and from the Karl Ross American Legion Post to fly the flags in front of City facilities at half staff in order to honor a member of our military who is fighting overseas.

The purpose of this Policy is to establish uniform guidelines for honoring those military personnel who are killed while assigned to active duty in the United States military.

I think it is appropriate, respectful, and supportive of our military and their families for the City of Stockton to have a Council policy to fly the flags in front of all City facilities at half staff for three full days following the death of any resident of Stockton who is killed while assigned to active duty in the United States military and serving to protect our freedoms.

MAYOR GARY PODESTO

Agenda Item 6.05
CITY OF STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA
CITY COUNCIL POLICY

Subject:
FLYING FLAGS IN FRONT OF CITY BUILDINGS AT HALF STAFF

Policy No. 400-4
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Effective Date:
July 20, 2004

BACKGROUND:
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PURPOSE:
The purpose of this Policy is to establish uniform guidelines for honoring those military personnel who are killed while assigned to active duty in the United States military.

POLICY:
It shall be the policy of the City Council to fly the flags in front of all City facilities at half staff for three full days following the death of any resident of Stockton who is killed while assigned to active duty in the United States military and serving to protect our freedoms.

Adopted by Resolution No.
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. City Council Policy No. 400-4, FLYING FLAGS IN FRONT OF CITY BUILDINGS AT HALF-STAFF is hereby adopted to establish a standard policy TO FLY FLAGS IN FRONT OF ALL City facilities at half staff for three full days following the death of any resident of Stockton who is killed while assigned to active duty in the United States military and serving to protect our freedoms.

2. A copy of City Council Policy No. 400-4 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED ____________________________.

ATTEST: ____________________________

GARY A. PODESTO
Mayor of the City of Stockton

KATHERINE GONG MEISSNER
City Clerk of the City of Stockton

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