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Alaska Police Memorial Day 2016

(ANCHORAGE, Alaska) – The public is cordially invited to attend the Alaska Police Memorial Day ceremony. It is being held this Friday, May 6, 2016 at 3 p.m. at the State Crime Detection Laboratory at 4805 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue.

Every year we set out to honor the Alaska law enforcement officers that have given the ultimate sacrifice to the people of Alaska. The ceremony also honors law enforcement officers who carry on after the death of their peers.

For some people, like Sergeant Mike Roberts, an Alaska State Trooper that works out of the AST Fairbanks post and this year's keynote speaker, the two most recent line of duty deaths also meant the loss of two of his dear friends. It has been just over two years since Sergeant Scott Johnson and Trooper Gabe Rich were shot and killed after they responded to Tanana to investigate a report of a man brandishing a gun in the community the night before. They never made it home.

Anchorage: May 6, 2016. The event starts at 3pm at the Alaska State Crime Detection Laboratory on 4805 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue.

Fairbanks: May 20, 2016.

Juneau: May 13, 2016.

Please come and show your support to the men and women who wear a badge in order to make Alaska a safer, better place and to remember those who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

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