

## **SALT LAKE COUNTY RESOLUTION**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ 2018

### **A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SALT LAKE COUNTY COUNCIL AND SALT LAKE COUNTY MAYOR TO ERECT A PLAQUE HONORING SALT LAKE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT SERGEANT NEPHI PIERCE**

WHEREAS, on November 27, 1922, Salt Lake City Police Officers Sergeant Nephi Pierce and Office George Watson were on foot patrol near the intersection of 500 South and Main Street in Salt Lake City, Utah, when they approached two robbery suspects; and

WHEREAS, one of the suspects drew a gun and shot Sergeant Pierce in the abdomen, severing his spine; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 1923, Sergeant Pierce died of the wounds he received in the line of duty. Three months after his death Sergeant Pierce's wife, Marie Pierce, committed suicide in the couple's home. Sergeant Pierce and his wife are buried beside each other in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Salt Lake City; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake City Police Department and Salt Lake City Police History Project has erected plaques throughout the Salt Lake City to honor officers killed in the line of duty and has sought to erect a plaque to memorialize and honor Sergeant Pierce; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County has recently built the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office near the location where Sergeant Pierce was mortally wounded; and

WHEREAS, the Salt Lake City Police History Project has asked the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office for permission to display a permanent plaque, similar to the proof of which is attached to this Resolution, honoring Sergeant Pierce and all of Salt Lake City's fallen officers; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake County and the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office work closely with the Salt Lake City Police Department and proudly support that office and law enforcement throughout the State of Utah;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it jointly resolved by the Salt Lake County Council and the Salt Lake County Mayor:

That the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office is authorized to cooperate with the Salt Lake City Police History Project as necessary to arrange for a permanent plaque honoring Sergeant Nephi Pierce, to be affixed upon or located on the grounds of the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office located at 35 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Aimee Winder Newton, Council Chair

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ben McAdams, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sherrie Swensen  
Salt Lake County Clerk