A Resolution honoring the lives and memory of those tragically killed and those injured during the mass shooting at the Inland Regional Center building in San Bernardino, California, on December 2, 2015

WHEREAS fourteen people tragically died in their workplace on December 2, 2015, in a mass shooting at a government building in San Bernardino, California; and

WHEREAS a number of other individuals in the building at the time were wounded during the incident; and

WHEREAS approximately 20% of the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health’s Environmental Health Services Division workforce was killed in the shooting; and

WHEREAS the sudden and violent deaths of these individuals in their workplace is shocking and difficult to comprehend; and

WHEREAS public employees, specifically environmental health practitioners, assume some risk every day when they are performing their appointed duties; and

WHEREAS the entire environmental health profession shares in the pain and the grief when a fellow professional is lost; and

WHEREAS it helps to ease the pain and suffering when fellow professionals are present to share the loss; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the members of the Minnesota Environmental Health Association honor and memorialize the lives of those killed and injured on December 2, 2015, in San Bernardino, California with a moment of silence at the Annual Meeting on May 13, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be shared with the California Environmental Health Association, and offered with our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement.

In Memoriam:
Robert Adams, age 40 – EH Specialist, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Isaac Amanios, age 60 – Supervising EH Specialist, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Bennetta Bet-Badal, age 46 – EH Specialist, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Harry Bowman, age 46 – Statistical analyst, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Sierra Clayborn, age 27 – EH Specialist, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Juan Espinoza, age 50 – EH Inspector, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Aurora Godoy, age 26 – Office Assistant, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Shannon Johnson, age 45 – EH Specialist, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Larry Kaufman, age 42 – Baristo, Coffee Shop at Inland Regional Center
Damian Meins, age 58 - San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Tin Nguyen, age 31 – Health Inspector, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Nicholas Thalasinos, age 52 – Health Inspector, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Yvette Velasco, age 27 – EH Specialist, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health
Michael Wetzal, age 37 – Supervising EH Specialist, San Bernardino County Department of Public Health