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Craig W. Floyd is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF), a nonprofit organization established in 1984 to honor the service and sacrifice of America's law enforcement officers.

Over the past 25 years, he has been one of law enforcement's leading advocates--delivering speeches, hosting radio shows, publishing books, writing articles and conducting media interviews. His work as a Congressional aide, journalist and nonprofit leader has been widely credited with changing America's attitude toward the law enforcement profession and saving officers' lives.

Mr. Floyd helped form the Memorial Fund and has served from the outset as the organization's chief executive officer. Under his leadership, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial was built and dedicated in October 1991. Today, that monument stands proudly in our Nation's Capital as a richly deserved tribute to America's peace officers. more than 20,000 fallen law enforcement officers have their names inscribed on that Memorial, dating back to the first documented fatality in 1791.

Most recently, Mr. Floyd and his organization were successful in obtaining Congressional approval of a public law to authorize the establishment of a National Law Enforcement Museum on federal land adjacent to the Memorial. The Museum will be the largest and most comprehensive institution of its kind in the world.

As Memorial Fund Chairman, Mr. Floyd has also spearheaded a number of other important projects to honor our nation's law enforcement officers. They include enactment of a federal law authorizing all American flags to be flown at half-staff on "Peace Officers Memorial Day" (May 15); publication of the book, *To Serve and Protect: A Tribute to American Law Enforcement*; and enactment of a federal law authorizing 500,000 commemorative silver dollars to be issued by the U.S. Mint honoring the service and sacrifice of America's law enforcement officers and their families. Prior to his work with the Memorial Fund, Mr. Floyd served for 10 years (1978-1988) as Legislative Assistant for U.S. Representative Mario Biaggi (Ret.) of New York, a New York City police legend, and the founder of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund. Mr. Floyd holds a bachelor's degree from The George Washington University in Washington, DC. He resides in Alexandria, VA, with his wife, Veronica.