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Staff Report

ITEM NO. 2-7

To: Lemoore City Council
From: Darrell Smith, Chief of Police 
Date: March 30, 2015 **Meeting Date:** April 7, 2015
Subject: Memorial Walk, LGBT Youth - May 21, 2015

Discussion:

Kevin Gillespie, Hospital Security Officer LNAS, is requesting permission to conduct a memorial walk and candlelight vigil on Thursday, May 21, 2015 to pay tribute to those LGBT youth in the community that have committed suicide. The event will start at E Street and Follett at 1900 hours where the group of 50 (estimated attendance) will begin their walk south on Follett, west on Bush Street, north on Fox Street, and east on D Street to the Lemoore "D" Street Plaza where a candlelight vigil and speaking presentation will conclude the ceremony.

The event is estimated to last approximately 90 minutes from start to finish. This date was chosen because May 22nd is the birth date of Harvey Milk, a gay rights activist who became the first openly gay person to be elected to public office in California when he won a seat on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. Milk was assassinated on November 27, 1978.

Budget Impact:

The Lemoore Police Department VIP'S will monitor and provide traffic control for the event as deemed necessary. The event will have little to no significant impact on traffic flow, and there is no fiscal impact to the City.

Recommendation:

That the City Council, by motion, approve the LGBT Memorial Walk and Candlelight Vigil for May 21, 2015.