

**JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Adiel McKnight, Deputy Clerk of the Board

DATE: September 9, 2024

SUBJECT: PROCLAMATION re: Proclaiming September 11, 2024 as National Day of Service and Remembrance

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

In the United States, the National Day of Service and Remembrance occurs annually on September 11th in memory of the people killed in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

In New York City, Sept. 11th is something of a somber, unofficial holiday, with quiet memorial events around the city and twin beams of light rising from the Manhattan skyline.

The National Day of Service and Remembrance is observed in the United States on September 11th to commemorate the 2,997 lives that were lost in the 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Virginia and those who perished when the hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 crashed in Pennsylvania.

Each year Americans dedicate this day to remembering those who died and the first responders who risked their own lives to save others.

FISCAL IMPACT:

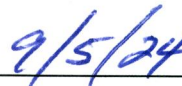
There is no fiscal impact to Jefferson County.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Proclamation re: Proclaiming September 11, 2024 as National Day of Service and Remembrance.

REVIEWED BY:


Mark McCauley, County Administrator


Date

PROCLAMATION

National Day of Service and Remembrance

WHEREAS, 23 years ago, the United States endured one of the most unconscionable tragedies in our country's history. The cowardly terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and onboard United Flight 93 cut short the lives of 2,977 innocent people. These attacks tore a hole in the heart of our Nation, and the pain of this tragedy still remains. Each year on this somber date, we remember the horror and bravery shown that day, just as we remember how we came together, united in grief and in purpose. Each year, we renew our solemn vow to never forget what happened on September 11, 2001, or those who lost their lives; and

WHEREAS, we also remember the patriotism and valor of our service members who pursued our attackers, delivered justice to Osama bin Laden, and degraded al-Qa'ida; and

WHEREAS, over the last two decades the American people have demonstrated that the harder the circumstances, the more resilient and stronger we become. Our shared love of country and our shared values - regardless of race, gender, religion, origin, or economic status - unite us as Americans against all enemies, foreign and domestic; and

WHEREAS, Congress has requested the observance of September 11 as an annually recognized "National Day of Service and Remembrance;" and

WHEREAS, on this National Day of Service and Remembrance, we honor every life that was taken too soon. We honor the first responders - firefighters, law enforcement officers, emergency workers, and service members - who answered the call of duty, and the brave civilians who rushed into action to save lives that day. Their courage embodies the American spirit and resilience, and their heroism continues to inspire new generations of Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners does, hereby proclaim September 11, 2024, as

National Day of Service and Remembrance

in Jefferson County, and encourages all residents to join us in observation of this important day.

PROCLAIMED this 9th day of September, 2024.

SEAL:

JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kate Dean, Chair

ATTEST:

Heidi Eisenhour, Member

Carolyn Gallaway, CMC,
Clerk of the Board

Greg Brotherton, Member