

# PROCLAMATION

## DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 11, 2025, AS PATRIOT DAY AND NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE IN THE CITY OF HERCULES

**WHEREAS**, on this day twenty-four years ago nearly 3,000 people lost their lives in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks that involved two airplanes that crashed into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, followed by a third plane that struck the Pentagon; and a fourth plane that crashed in southwestern Pennsylvania (near Shanksville); leaving people trapped and stranded at the top of a burning skyscraper; and

**WHEREAS**, the nation came together as civilians, first responders, firefighters, law enforcement, emergency services men and women that risked their lives to save others from crumbling buildings and raging fires and our Armed Forces responded to their call of duty to defend our nation and protect the American people; and

**WHEREAS**, by a joint resolution approved December 18, 2001 (Public Law 107-89), the Congress has designated September 11 of each year as "Patriot Day," and by Public Law 111-13, approved April 21, 2009, the Congress has requested the observance of September 11 as an annually recognized "National Day of Service and Remembrance; and

**WHEREAS**, along with our nation, the City of Hercules pays tribute to all those that perished in the terrorist attacks of 9/11, honors the bravery of the first responders and individuals that selflessly risked their lives to assist others and recommit to carrying on the legacy of courage and compassion and to move forward together as one people.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that I, Dion Bailey, Mayor of the City of Hercules, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2025, as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance in the City of Hercules. I call upon the people of Hercules to observe this day in service and find opportunities to volunteer in the community and to observe a moment of silence beginning at 8:46 a.m. EST to honor the innocent victims who perished under the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Hercules to be affixed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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Dion Bailey, Mayor