PROCLAMATION

RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 11, 2019 AS PATRIOT DAY AND HONORING THE HEROIC ACTS FOLLOWING THIS DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, our nation was brutally attacked in an unprovoked and senseless manner on our own soil by cowardly terrorists as enemies of freedom; and

WHEREAS, innocent civilians on four United States commercial aircrafts were hijacked as instruments of terror and forced into targeted symbols of freedom in New York, Pennsylvania and the Pentagon; and

WHEREAS, on this somber day, we remind all those who wish our Nation harm that we stand united, as one Nation under God, vigilant in our fight against terror and determined to continue as a beacon of hope and freedom for people everywhere; and

WHEREAS, with ONE heart and mind, the American people rallied from their shock and sorrow, and reacted in a characteristic fashion that has made this country great while displaying the highest level of patriotic fervor not seen since December 7, 1941; and

WHEREAS, with a determination to defend our way of life, democracy and constitution, our wonderful Union still continues to recover from the unspeakable loss of so many blameless lives, with the indomitable spirit of the United States having been revitalized and given way to numerous expressions of heroism and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, along with our nation, our community recognizes and is eternally grateful for the heroic acts of the Fire Fighters, Police Officers, Emergency Medical Personnel, Doctors, Emergency Services Providers and the untold number of ordinary people who came to the aid on this new day of infamy; and

WHEREAS, this nation and our community continue to salute the heroism of public safety and rescue workers, volunteers, local officials and those who responded to these tragic events with courage, selfless compassion, determination and skill and have joined our United States Armed Forces at home and abroad in protecting and securing us as we defend in an ongoing war against terrorism.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Hercules City Council does hereby recognize September 11, 2019 as a Day of Remembrance, urging all residents to honor the memory of those who died by being of service to one another and working towards building an even stronger, more perfect Union through volunteerism and a commitment to sustaining our newfound commitment to patriotism.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Hercules City Council does hereby declare that September 11th is to be remembered by proclamation annually as a day to honor and to remember those who lost their lives 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 10th day of September 2019.

Dan Romero, Mayor