

# CITY OF LAKEWOOD



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, nearly 3,000 innocent lives of men, women and children who had been going about their normal routines were taken from us, depriving our families and loved ones a lifetime of precious moments; and

**WHEREAS**, in the years that followed, our capacity to love and to hope has guided us forward as we worked to rebuild our nation more sound and resilient than ever before while standing strong as one people determined to further embolden our country's character with acts of endurance and strength; renewal and progress; and

**WHEREAS**, the pain inflicted on our Nation on September 11 was felt by people of every race, background and faith. Though many young Americans have grown up without knowing firsthand the horrors of that day, their lives have been shaped by it; and

**WHEREAS**, the compassion that rose in the hearts and minds of the American people on September 11 still serves as the ultimate rebuke to the evil of those who attacked us; and

**WHEREAS**, first responders who risked and gave their lives to rescue others demonstrated the unwavering heroism that continues to define our great Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, as we reflect on the lives we lost and pay tribute to the families who still live with extraordinary pain, let us resolve to continue embodying the American spirit that no act of terror can ever extinguish.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Lakewood City Council hereby proclaim September 11, 2020 as

### **PATRIOT DAY AND DAY OF REMEMBRANCE IN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD**

and urge all citizens to observe a moment of silence to honor the innocent victims who perished as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and observe this day with remembrance in honor of those individuals.

**PROCLAIMED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

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Don Anderson, Mayor