

## **PROCLAMATION**

## of the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors

## In Recognition of September 11th

Honoring the heroes of that fateful day in 2001

The morning of September 11, 2001 dawned as an ordinary day. As the hours unfolded, our Country was viciously attacked by terrorists who carried out a sadistic plan to murder thousands of innocent people on American soil.

WHEREAS, their intent was to topple and destroy our beloved Country, the true spirit of the American people was awakened and emboldened by a shared grief and fierce resolve to put sacrifice over self and to rise up against evil in defense of freedom; and

WHEREAS, when we remember and reflect on that day, it is our fellow man that is seared into our hearts and memories. Amidst images of destruction, we remember with sacred reverence our first responders who ran in when everyone else was running out. We remember the average men and women who rose up as heroes to help, comfort or save people they did not even know. We still tremble at the thought of hurried last phone calls, of the unspeakable courage it took to utter "Let's Roll", and of the intentional sacrifice that turned an ordinary field in southern Pennsylvania into a battlefield whose victory thwarted untold destruction; and

WHEREAS, September 11, 2023 marks the twenty-second anniversary of a day that united our nation, renewed our national pride and true love of country while it redefined the sacred role of a Patriot to the cause of liberty.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, does hereby proclaim September 11, 2023 as a day to honor the heroic service, actions and sacrifices of the first responders, law enforcement personnel, community members, volunteers and countless others who ran to the rescue of the innocent victims of September 11, 2001. May we continue to bear witness to their sacrifice to our children and grandchildren, making sure that their stalwart bravery is known and remembered as a sacred sacrifice, recognizing that freedom is won at an unspeakable cost; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED**, to recognize the valiant service and sacrifice given each day by members of our armed forces, diplomatic services, intelligent agencies, homeland security and El Dorado County public safety personnel and first responders who are all on the front lines, defending the security of our nation, our county, and our daily lives.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting, held the 29th day of August 2023.

## Attest:

Kim Dawson
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
by:

Deputy Clerk

Wendy Thomas
Wendy Thomas, Chair, Board of Supervisors