



THE CITY OF FIRCREST

PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, the American people endured, with courage and heroism, the worst terrorist attack on U.S. soil in our nation's history, coming together in a remarkable spirit of patriotism and unity, performing countless acts of kindness, generosity, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, Americans from all walks of life shared in the profound pain of those attacks, but rather than divide us, that shared pain brought us together, reaffirming the values of service and strength upon which our country was built; and

WHEREAS, on this day, we honor the selfless heroes and innocent victims of September 11, 2001, and we reaffirm the spirit of patriotism, service, and unity that we felt in the days and months that followed; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Congress officially designated September 11th as "Patriot Day," a day of remembrance and reflection, and as a time to honor the victims, support those still affected by the attacks, and uphold the values of resilience and unity that define our nation; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, family members of the victims, first responders, and others established "9/11 Day" to commemorate the anniversary of the September 11th attacks through acts of service and volunteerism, fulfilling the commitment to "Never Forget"; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Congress passed the Serve America Act, designating September 11th as a "National Day of Service and Remembrance" to honor those who lost their lives at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and in a field in southwestern Pennsylvania through positive and respectful acts of service; and

WHEREAS, when we join in serving causes greater than ourselves and honoring those we lost, we are reminded of the ways that the victims of 9/11 live on – in the people they loved, the lives they touched, and the courageous acts they inspired.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS of the City of Fircrest, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2024, as

PATRIOT DAY AND DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE

in the City of Fircrest and urge all residents to observe a moment of silence in memory of the innocent victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and to observe this day with acts of service and remembrance in their honor.

Proclaimed this 10th day of September 2024.

S. Reynolds

Shannon Reynolds, Mayor

