

Proclamation

Remembrance of September 11, 2001

WHEREAS, on the morning of September 11, 2001, terrorists ruthlessly attacked the United States at multiple locations, leading to the immediate death of nearly 3,000 innocents from the United States and from more than 90 different countries and territories;

WHEREAS, in response to the attacks, good people from private and public sectors, police officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, physicians, nurses, military personnel and other first responders immediately, and without concern for their own wellbeing, heroically rose to service, attempting to protect the tens of thousands who narrowly escaped with their lives and others still at risk from the attacks; and

WHEREAS, in the aftermath of the attacks, thousands of people volunteered to help in the search, rescue and recovery of victims lost in the terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, many witnesses to these horrific events, first responders, rescue and recovery workers and volunteers, as well as survivors continue to suffer from serious medical illnesses and emotional distress related to the physical and mental trauma of the September 11 attacks; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of brave men and women continue to serve every day, having answered the call to duty as members of the U.S. Armed Forces, while thousands have given their lives or suffered injury to defend our security and prevent future terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, the entire nation witnessed and shared in the tragedy of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, September 11, 2020 marks the 19th anniversary of these heinous terrorist attacks and provides an occasion to reflect on those events and the countless sacrifices related to them,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Virginia O'Halpin, Mayor of the Village of Biscayne Park, Florida, joined by the entire Commission, do hereby recognize the 19th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

We offer our most sincere condolences to the families, friends and loved ones of the innocents who lost their lives that day; and we honor the heroic service, actions and sacrifices of the first responders, public officials, volunteers and others who came to the aid of innocent victims.

Further, we take this opportunity to recognize the valiant service, actions and sacrifices of our United States Armed Forces, intelligence agencies, diplomatic services, homeland security, our law enforcement personnel and the families who support them, for they give so much, including life and wellbeing, to support the causes of freedom and to defend the security of our country.



Dated this 1st day of September, 2020
VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA

Virginia O'Halpin, Mayor