

TOWN OF APEXH CAROLINA

Proclamation

Patriot Day 2024

from the Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, the United States experienced an unimaginable tragedy, when a terrorist attack claimed the lives of nearly 3,000 innocent people in an event that altered the collective conscience of our nation forever; and,

WHEREAS, Patriot Day is a National Day of Honoring and Remembering those who were lost 23 years ago, and a way to maintain the memory of the victims and the hundreds of emergency service workers who gave their lives saving others; and,

WHEREAS, First responders helped nearly 15,000 people evacuate the World Trade Centers, and stayed around the clock on the scene performing rescue and recovery efforts for the next 9 months; and,

WHEREAS, Firefighters on the scene tirelessly scaled up to 110 flights of stairs working to save people from the burning towers, knowing fully those grueling steps were likely the last ones they would ever take; and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex affirms that we will never forget the lives lost and the sacrifices made by the heroes who selflessly gave their lives for those of their fellow Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques K. Gilbert, Mayor of Apex, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 11th, 2024, "Patriot Day" in the Town of Apex, and call upon all residents to solemnly reflect on this tragedy and show appreciation for all first responders in our town and country.

I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal of the Town of Apex, North Carolina, to be affixed this the 10th day of September 2024

Jacques Gilbert, Mayor