



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, nearly 3,000 innocent lives – men, women, and children who had been going about their normal routines – were taken from us; and

WHEREAS, On that day, many acts of service occurred – firefighters rushed into an inferno, rescue workers charged up stairs, and coworkers carried others to safety. United by a commitment to helping their neighbors, Americans in distant cities drove across the country to volunteer, donors lined up to give blood and organizations collected food and clothing; and

WHEREAS, We have all been marked by this moment in history. The pain inflicted on September 11 was felt across the nation by people of every race, background and faith. Young Americans who did not experience the horrors of that day have been shaped by it; and

WHEREAS, Every year since, we have come together on September 11 to pause in remembrance, in reflection and in unity to commemorate the individuals who lost their lives; and

WHEREAS, Two decades later, our greatest lesson may be a reminder of the strength, courage and humanity that grew out of this devastation and of the dedication and service we have yet to contribute.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LEE WELLS, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Ridgefield, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2021 as

“A Day of Service and Remembrance”

And encourage all residents to observe a moment of silence beginning at 8:46AM EDT on 9/11/21 to remember those lost and to pay tribute to their lives with service and charity. Through community service, we can honor their memory and reclaim our sense of togetherness.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2021.

CITY OF RIDGEFIELD

Lee Wells, Mayor Pro Tem