



**PROCLAMATION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO**

WHEREAS, the September 11th attacks claimed approximately 3,000 souls in the World Trade Center in New York, the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia and a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, a total of 403 men and women in uniform lost their lives while working to save the lives of others, including 343 firefighters and paramedics and 23 NYPD Police Officers; and

WHEREAS, the lives of Americans were changed forever on September 11, 2001, when events threatened the American way of life; and

WHEREAS, September 11th will never, and should never, be just another day in the hearts and minds of all people of the United States.

THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ARCHULETA COUNTY, COLORADO DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING:

1. That September 11, 2021 should be a day of solemn commemoration of the events of September 11, 2001, and a day to come together as a nation.
2. The Board honors the heroic service, actions, and sacrifices of first responders, law enforcement personnel, state and local officials, volunteers, and countless others who aided the innocent victims of those attacks and, in doing so, bravely risked and often gave their own lives.
3. The Board offers its deepest and sincerest condolences to the families, friends, and loved ones of the innocent victims of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.
4. The Board reaffirms that the people of the United States will never forget the challenges our country endured on and since September 11, 2001, and will work tirelessly to continue to defeat those who attack the United States.
5. On the 20th anniversary of this tragic day in United States history, the Board calls upon all of the people and institutions of the United States to observe a moment of remembrance on September 11, 2021, including (i) media outlets; (ii) houses of worship; (iii) military organizations; (iv) veterans organizations; (v) airlines; (vi) airports; (vii) railroads; (viii) sports teams; (ix) the Federal Government; (x) State and local governments; (xi) police, fire and other public institutions; (xii) educational institutions; (xiii) businesses; and (xiv) other public and private institutions.

FURTHER, the Board encourages the observance of the moment of remembrance to last for one minute beginning at 12:00 p.m. MST by, to the maximum extent practicable, ceasing all work or other activities; and marking the moment in an appropriate manner, including by ringing bells, blowing whistles, or sounding sirens.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of September, 2021, in Pagosa Springs, Archuleta County, Colorado.

Alvin Schaaf, Chairman