



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, September 11, 2011 marks the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11;

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, people of all ages and walks of life, across America, and around the world, collectively witnessed an event of immense tragedy;

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, the peace and security of our Nation was shattered by terrorist attacks leading to the tragic death of some 3,000 innocent and brave citizens of the United States, as well as citizens from more than 90 different countries;

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, in response to the attacks at the World Trade Center twin towers in New York City, at the United States Pentagon in Washington D.C. and in a field in southwest Pennsylvania, firefighters, police officers, military personnel, physicians, nurses, emergency medical technicians and other first responders heroically, tirelessly and courageously participated in an extraordinarily difficult and dangerous rescue and recovery effort, in some cases voluntarily putting their own well-being at risk;

**WHEREAS**, many gave of themselves in service to their communities and to this country in the aftermath of the attacks. An unprecedented, historic bonding of Americans arose from the collective shock, unifying the country in an outpouring of national spirit, pride, unselfishness, generosity, courage and service;

**WHEREAS**, September 11 will never be, and should never be just another day in the hearts and minds of all Americans;

**WHEREAS**, on September 10, 2009, President Barack Obama, amended a Patriot Day Proclamation to officially designate September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance. This was a historic milestone for the 9/11 families, survivors, rescue and recovery workers and volunteers who urged Congress to establish the September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance into law by the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act, which was passed by Congress on March 19, 2009 and signed by the President of the United States on April 12, 2009; and


**WHEREAS**, National Day of Service and Remembrance is a way to pay tribute to those who were lost, and to honor the heroes who answered the call to serve on that day and in the weeks and months that followed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2011 as

## DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE

in Greenville and ask all citizens and organizations to join in this observance and to engage in activities of tribute and solemn remembrance in community service.

This 8th day of September, 2011.

  
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Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor