



**Resolution No. R2017-83**

**A Resolution of the Pierce County Council and Executive Commemorating the Sixteenth Anniversary of the September 11, 2001, Terrorist Attacks on the United States; and Proclaiming September 11, 2017, as "Patriot's Day" in Pierce County, Washington.**

**Whereas**, this year marks the sixteenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks carried out against our nation on September 11, 2001; and in recognition of this solemn commemoration, days of prayer and remembrance have been set aside to remember the thousands of lives lost, and the innocent men, women and children forever changed by those acts; and

**Whereas**, on that fateful September morning, we were reminded that the great strength of America is found in the hearts and souls of its citizens, as we witnessed police officers, firefighters, rescue personnel, members of the military and private citizens demonstrating extraordinary courage and risking their lives to save innocent victims, and our country united in compassion as Americans came together to provide relief and bring hope to others; and

**Whereas**, despite the senseless loss of innocent lives and the horror witnessed by people around the world, we can now look at September 11 and see something more than pain; we can see strength, heroism and unity; and

**Whereas**, today and every day, we pray for our brave men and women in uniform who are serving at home and abroad to protect their homeland and advance liberty around the world, and we pray for the families of those who have lost their lives or have been injured defending the freedoms we cherish; and

**Whereas**, today and every day, we keep in our thoughts our courageous first responders who risked and gave their lives—and continue to do so today—to serve and protect others; and

**Whereas**, we will never forget the brave friends and loved ones who perished that day, nor the amazing acts of selflessness of incredible men and women who did everything from thwarting hijackers to gathering aid for victims and their families; and

**Whereas**, this nation's resolve to confront terror and leave behind a legacy of peace will be the greatest memorial to the victims of September 11, 2001, and to those who have paid the ultimate price to preserve the blessings of this great nation for future generations; **Now, Therefore,**

**BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the Council and Executive of Pierce County:

September 11, 2017, is hereby proclaimed as "Patriot's Day" in Pierce County, Washington, and the Council and Executive encourage all citizens to join in remembering all who gave of themselves and honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice on September 11, 2001.

**ADOPTED** this 5th day of September, 2017.

**PIERCE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

Bruce F. Dammeier, County Executive

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ATTEST:

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