



PROCLAMATION
In Remembrance of September 11, 2001
25th Year Anniversary

WHEREAS, September 11, 2001, remains one of the most solemn and defining days in our nation's history, when our country endured an unprecedented terrorist attack that claimed the lives of nearly 3,000 innocent people and on that tragic day, people from diverse backgrounds, faiths, professions, and generations were affected, and families, communities, and our Great Nation were forever changed by the loss of loved ones, colleagues, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, we remember with profound respect the victims whose lives were taken in New York City, at the Pentagon, and near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and we honor their families and loved ones who have carried their memories forward for twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, we pay overwhelming tribute to the extraordinary courage and selflessness of the firefighters, police officers, emergency medical personnel, military personnel, public servants, and ordinary citizens who responded with compassion and bravery in the face of unimaginable circumstances especially the 343 FDNY firefighters and paramedics and 72 law enforcement officers including 23 NYPD officers and 37 Port Authority officers who paid the ultimate sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, countless first responders and recovery workers courageously served at Ground Zero, the pentagon, and in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and many have suffered lasting physical and emotional consequences as a result of their service; and

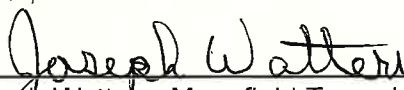
WHEREAS, the twenty-fifth anniversary provides an opportunity to reflect upon the enduring lessons of September 11, including the importance of unity, service, resilience, compassion, and our shared responsibility to protect and strengthen our communities; and

WHEREAS, as the years pass and a new generation comes of age, it is our solemn responsibility to preserve the history and memory of September 11, 2001, so that the sacrifices of those who were lost and those who served will never be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, on this twenty-fifth anniversary, we stand together in remembrance of the victims, in gratitude for the heroes, in support of the survivors and their families, and appreciation for all who continue to serve our communities and our Great Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Township of Mansfield hereby recognizes September 11, 2026, as a Day of Remembrance and Honor, commemorating the 25th anniversary of September 11, 2001. We encourage all residents and members of our community to pause in remembrance, honor those who were lost, recognize those who served, and reaffirm our commitment to compassion, unity, service, and the enduring spirit of our Great Nation.

Proclaimed this 9th day of September, 2026.


Mayor Joseph Watters, Mansfield Township Committee

