

## **P R O C L A M A T I O N**

**WHEREAS**, *September 11, 2001, twenty years ago, marks a somber day in United States history; and*

**WHEREAS**, *we remember the nearly 3,000 people who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, in New York City, Pennsylvania, and the Pentagon; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the grief and devastation to this national tragedy was met with heroism, compassion, and union of the American people; and*

**WHEREAS**, *we honor the valor and fearlessness of hundreds of firefighters, police officers, and first responders, as well as ordinary people, whose instinct was to run toward untold danger to help those in need; and*

**WHEREAS**, *the sacrifices made by people on that horrific day remain etched in our minds forever; and*

**WHEREAS**, *we remain a hopeful country, inspired by the kindness and compassion of those who live here and our commitment to freedom and opportunity; and*

**NOW, THEREFORE**, *I, Chuck Bennett, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2021, as*

### **9/11 DAY OF REMEMBRANCE**

*and encourage the community to reflect on the terrible events of September 11, 2001, honor those whose lives were lost, as well as the heroism of first responders and consider making September 11 a day of service in honor of those sacrifices.*

*DATED this thirteenth day of September, 2021.*



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*Chuck Bennett*  
*Mayor*