

**PROCLAMATION**  
*City of Abbeville*

It is the desire of the Mayor, City Council, and residents of Abbeville to join together with local commemoration following U.S. Senate Resolution 237 by having a moment of remembrance beginning at Noon Central Time on September 11, 2011, in honor of the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

Whereas at 8:46 AM, on September 11, 2001, hijacked American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the upper portion of the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City, New York;

Whereas 17 minutes later, at 9:03 AM, hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center;

Whereas at 9:37 AM, the west wall of the Pentagon was hit by hijacked American Airlines Flight 77, the impact of which caused immediate and catastrophic damage to the headquarters of the Department of Defense;

Whereas at approximately 10:00 AM, the passengers and crew of hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 acted heroically to retake control of the airplane and thwart the taking of additional American lives by crashing the airliner in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and, in doing so, gave their lives to save countless others;

Whereas nearly 3,000 innocent civilians were killed in the heinous attacks of September 11, 2001;

Whereas tens of thousands of individuals narrowly escaped the attacks at the Pentagon and World Trade Center and, as witnesses to this tragedy, are forever changed;

Whereas countless fire departments, police departments, first responders, governmental officials, workers, emergency medical personnel, and volunteers responded immediately and heroically to those horrific events;

Whereas 10 years later, the people of the United States and people around the world continue to mourn the tremendous loss of innocent life on that fateful day;

Whereas 10 years later, thousands of men and women in the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending the United States against those who seek to threaten the United States;

Whereas on the 10th anniversary of this tragic day, the thoughts of the people of the United States are with all of the victims of the events of September 11, 2001, and their families;

**Resolved**, The City of Abbeville along with the United States of America

(1) recognizes September 11, 2011, as a day of solemn commemoration of the events of September 11, 2001, and a day to come together as a Nation;

(2) offers its deepest and most sincere condolences to the families, friends, and loved ones of the innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks;

(3) 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;

(4) 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 defeat those who attacked the United States; and

(5) on the 10th anniversary of this tragic day in United States history--

(A) calls upon all of the people and institutions of the United States to observe a moment of remembrance on September 11, 2011,

(B) encourages the observance of the moment of remembrance or prayer to last for 1 minute beginning at Noon Central Time by (i) ceasing all work or other activity; and (ii) marking the moment in an appropriate manner, including by ringing of bells, blowing whistles, or sounding sirens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ryan Blalock, Mayor of the City of Abbeville, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 11, 2011 as a time for coming together and remembering 9/11 by prayer , ceasing work or other appropriate manner.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the SEAL of Abbeville to be affixed this 6<sup>th</sup> Day of September 2011.



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Pam Ward, Clerk-Treasurer

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Ryan Blalock, Mayor