

Alameda County Fire Department Firefighters Who Responded to Ground Zero

WHEREAS, on September 11th of this year, Alameda County will commemorate the 10th anniversary of one of the most shocking and barbaric acts against our country by honoring the heroes and recalling the unity of the world’s cultures and nationalities in condemnation of terrorism, and demonstrating the victory of the human spirit over depravity and cowardice; and

WHEREAS, ten years ago, on September 11, 2001, terrorists hijacked four separate flights, carrying 266 people, all bound for California; and

WHEREAS, all four flights crashed with no survivors, and thousands of men, women, and children who were citizens of more than 70 countries were killed at the World Trade Center (WTC), the Pentagon, and in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and nearly 3,000 death certificates were filed relating to the WTC attacks including 343 New York Fire Department Firefighters who were killed in the collapse of the WTC north and south towers; and

WHEREAS, at least twenty-two heroic Alameda County Fire Department Firefighters responded to the search and rescue at Ground Zero and salvaged personal items of the victims in the WTC towers, and these Firefighters remain committed to ensuring the safety of those in New York as well as the citizens they are sworn to serve and protect here in Alameda County; and

WHEREAS, these Firefighters reflect the spirit of Alameda County, in directly responding to help our neighbors in their time of need, sharing in our nation’s grief and sympathy, and safeguarding our legacy of freedom.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that this Board of Supervisors, County of Alameda, with solemn reverence and gratitude, does hereby recognize the significant and poignant contributions of the Alameda County Fire Department Firefighters who responded to Ground Zero in one of our nation’s darkest hours and served and will continue to serve as an inspiration to us all in honoring their call of duty.

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