



## PROCLAMATION

### **Declaring September 11, 2023 as Stop & Remember 9/11 National Moment of Remembrance**

**WHEREAS**, September 11, 2023 marks the 22nd anniversary of the ruthless terrorist attacks on our country; and

**WHEREAS**, Beaufort remembers those who lost their lives at the Pentagon, the World Trade Center and in a field in southwest Pennsylvania.

**WHEREAS**, the entire nation witnessed and shared in the tragedy, but were united under a remarkable spirit of service and compassion that inspired and helped heal the nation.

**WHEREAS**, in 2009 Congress passed the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act which included the authorization and federal recognition of September 11th as a “National Day of Service and Remembrance;” and

**WHEREAS**, we, as a community wish to honor the heroic service, actions, and sacrifices of first responders, law enforcement personnel, fire fighters, local officials, volunteers, and countless others who aided the innocent victims of those attacks, risking and often sacrificing their own lives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Beaufort Mayor and Board of Commissioners wish to recognize the brave service and sacrifice given each day by members of our armed forces, intelligence agencies, diplomatic services, homeland security, and Beaufort public safety departments to support the cause of freedom and defend the security of our nation;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Sharon Harker by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Beaufort do hereby proclaim Monday, September 11, 2023, as: Stop & Remember – 9/11 National Moment of Remembrance in Beaufort, NC.

And encourage everyone to observe one Moment of Remembrance on Thursday, September 11, 2023 to unite, reflect, remember and never forget on this 22nd Anniversary and day of remembrance in the Town of Beaufort.

Duly adopted this 11th day of September 2023.

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Sharon E. Harker, Mayor