



# *Patriot Day*

September 11, 2007

A PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks were the deadliest terrorist attacks ever launched against the United States, killing almost 3,000 people; and

**WHEREAS**, at least eleven DC residents lost their lives in the attacks of September 11, 2001 including three eleven-year-old school children; and

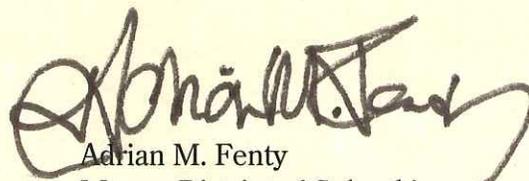
**WHEREAS**, September 11 instantly transformed nearly everyone's lives, and will never, and should never be just another day in the hearts and minds of all Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2001, Public Law 107-89 named September 11 "Patriot Day" in the United States, requesting the President to direct the U.S. flag to be flown at half-staff, and that Americans observe a moment of silence in memory of the victims; and

**WHEREAS** in 2004, Congress passed a bipartisan resolution urging the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to annually observe Patriot Day with appropriate and personal expressions of voluntary service, charity, and compassion toward others, in honor of the lives lost on that day and in the spirit of selflessness and unity demonstrated by those who participated in the rescue, recovery, and voluntary service activities that day:

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2007 as "**PATRIOT DAY**" in Washington, DC, and urge all residents of the District of Columbia to memorialize September 11 by engaging in acts of community service or other good deeds, as part of a national day of recognition and tribute.



  
Adrian M. Fenty  
Mayor, District of Columbia