



## *Mayoral Proclamation*

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- WHEREAS** on September 11, 2001, the American people endured the worst terrorist attack on U.S. soil in the nation's history with courage and heroism; and,
- WHEREAS** in response to this tragedy, Americans across the country came together in a remarkable spirit of patriotism and unity and carried out countless acts of kindness, generosity, and compassion; and,
- WHEREAS** community organizations and family members of 9/11 victims began observing the anniversary of September 11th as a charitable service day to honor the memory of those who were lost and those who united in response to the tragedy, including first responders and volunteers; and,
- WHEREAS** the Serve America Act, approved by Congress and enacted into law on April 21, 2009, directed September 11th to be observed and recognized as an annual "National Day of Service and Remembrance" and charged the Corporation for National and Community Service with leading this nationwide effort; and,
- WHEREAS** participating in service and remembrance activities on September 11th is a positive and respectful way to remember the lives of those lost, pay tribute to those who rose in service, and honor those who continue to serve our country today, including active-duty and reserve soldiers and their families, veterans, and first responders; and,
- WHEREAS** September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance activities are being organized by a variety of nonprofits, faith-based and community groups, public agencies, educational institutions, private businesses, and other organizations across the nation; and,

**WHEREAS** on September 11, 2022, and the days leading up to and following this day, citizens of Fuquay-Varina have an opportunity to participate in activities that honor 9/11 victims and heroes by joining together in service projects to meet community needs.

**NOW, THEREFORE I, J. BLAKE MASSENGILL, MAYOR** of the Town of Fuquay-Varina, NC proclaim September 11th a Day of Service and Remembrance in Fuquay-Varina and call upon the people of Fuquay-Varina to honor the lives of those lost through participation in community service and remembrance ceremonies on this day and throughout the year.



**FUQUAY-VARINA, NORTH CAROLINA**

  
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**J. Blake Massengill, Mayor**