

PROCLAMATION Village of Wheeling

~ Patriot Day – September 11, 2011 ~

Whereas, on September 11, 2001, people of all ages and walks of life, across America and around the world, collectively witnessed an event of immense tragedy; and

Whereas, the events of that day instantly transformed the lives of nearly all people, some through personal loss, and many others through an unfamiliar sense of individual and national vulnerability; and

Whereas, an unprecedented and historic bonding of Americans arose from this collective shock, unifying the country in an outpouring of national spirit, pride, selflessness, generosity, courage and service; and

Whereas, on September 11, 2001, and in the days following, many brave people heroically, tirelessly and courageously participated in an extraordinarily difficult and dangerous rescue and recovery effort, in some cases voluntarily putting their own well-being at risk; and

Whereas, September 11th will never and should never be regarded as just another day in the hearts and minds of all Americans;

Whereas, September 11, 2011 will be the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks; and

Whereas, many citizens may wish to memorialize September 11 by engaging in or making a plan to engage in personal and individual acts of community service, or other giving activities, as part of a solemn day of remembrance and tribute; and

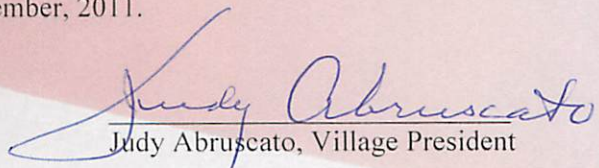
Whereas, on March 19, 2009, the United States Congress passed bipartisan legislation authorizing the establishment of September 11 as a federally recognized National Day of Service and Remembrance, which President Barack Obama signed into law on April 21, 2009; and

Whereas, the President of the United States, on September 11, 2009, issued the Patriot Day Proclamation, officially and permanently designating September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance, and calling upon all interested Americans to participate in this observance through moments of silence, through the flying of the flag of the United States at half-staff, and through community service and charitable activities in tribute and remembrance;

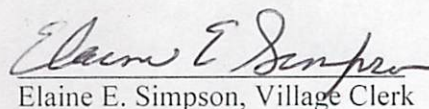
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Judy Abruscato, President of the Village of Wheeling, in tribute to all of the victims of 9/11 and the many who rose in service in response to the 9/11 terrorist attacks, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2011, the 10th Anniversary of 9/11, as Patriot Day in the Village of Wheeling, and furthermore call upon all citizens and organizations to consider joining in this observance by engaging in activities of tribute, solemn remembrance and charitable service..

DATED at the Village of Wheeling this 6th day of September, 2011.




Judy Abruscato, Village President

ATTEST:


Elaine E. Simpson, Village Clerk