**SAN RAFAEL CITY SCHOOLS**

**RESOLUTION # 2425-12**

# Resolution Commemorating Patriot Day and Honoring the Victims of the September 11, 2001 Attacks

## Patriot Day - September 11, 2024

On Patriot Day, we recognize the tragic events of September 11, 2001, and honor the nearly 3,000 innocent lives lost in the attacks on our nation. As we remember the victims, first responders, and countless others whose lives were forever changed, we reaffirm our commitment to unity, resilience, and the enduring values that define us as a nation. Through this resolution, we pay tribute to the bravery and sacrifice demonstrated on that day and pledge to never forget the profound impact of September 11 on our country and the world.

**WHEREAS,** on September 11, 2001, our nation experienced an unprecedented attack on American soil, leading to the tragic loss of nearly 3,000 lives in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS,** among those who perished were parents, children, friends, and loved ones, whose memories we honor and whose absence is deeply felt in their families and communities; and

**WHEREAS,** first responders, including firefighters, police officers, medical personnel, and ordinary citizens, displayed extraordinary bravery, risking and sacrificing their lives to save others, embodying the spirit of service and heroism; and

**WHEREAS,** the events of September 11 deeply impacted our community, the state, and the nation, leaving an indelible mark on the hearts of every American, and reminding us of the need for unity and resilience in times of crisis; and

**WHEREAS,** San Rafael City Schools is committed to fostering an environment that promotes peace, understanding, and civic responsibility in honor of the values that unite us as a nation; and

**WHEREAS,** Patriot Day has been designated as a national day of remembrance and service, giving us the opportunity to reflect on the courage, sacrifice, and solidarity demonstrated on that tragic day, and to ensure future generations understand the significance of these events; and

**WHEREAS,** it is important to honor the legacy of the victims and heroes of September 11 by educating our students about the events of that day and the resilience of the American spirit; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the San Rafael City Schools Board of Education does hereby honor the victims of the September 11 attacks, express gratitude to the first responders, and recognize Patriot Day as a solemn occasion for reflection and unity; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the San Rafael City Schools will observe a moment of silence on September 11, 2024, to honor those who lost their lives and to promote a message of peace and service to others in our community and beyond.

Adopted this ___ day of _____, 2024, by the San Rafael City Schools Board of Education.

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