



## **BURNET COUNTY 9/11 REMEMBRANCE**

### **PROCLAMATION**

**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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> National Day of Service and Remembrance activities are being organized by a variety of non-profits, faith-based and community groups, public agencies, educational institutions, private businesses, and other organizations across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2024, and on the days leading up to and following this day, citizens of Burnet County have an opportunity to participate in activities that honor 9/11 victims and heroes by joining together in service projects to meet community needs; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, James Oakley, Burnet County Judge, proclaim September 11<sup>th</sup> a Day of Service and Remembrance in Burnet County, and call upon the people of Burnet County to honor the lives of those lost through participation in community service and remembrance ceremonies on this day and throughout the year.

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Judge James Oakley