



## The City of Riverdale, Iowa **PROCLAMATION**

- Whereas On a sunny morning in New York City seventeen years ago, the world looked on in horror as hijackers took control of two passenger jets and attacked the World Trade Center towers; and
- Whereas That same day, more hijackers took control of two other passenger jets, one striking the Pentagon in Washington, DC and another jet, presumably heading for a target in Washington, was forced to crash into a field in Pennsylvania; and
- Whereas First responders from New York, New Jersey and across the region immediately sprung into action to save lives and keep people safe, with many of these brave souls making the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty; and
- Whereas Even after the events of the day had shocked us all, we continued to watch in awe for months as these first responders and other from across the nation – police, fire, emergency medical personnel and others – continued in the service of others as their attempts to rescue victims of terrorism eventually turned to recovery; and
- Whereas The date of the attack, September 11, coincidentally shares the same numerical formula as the national standard for calling help from a community’s first responders, 9-1-1; then
- Therefore be it resolved that I, Michael Bawden, Mayor of the City of Riverdale, ask the citizens of our City to pause and reflect today on the sacrifices made then and every time a first responder answers a call for help from someone in their most urgent times of need.

Let today, and every September 11<sup>th</sup> be known as

### ***FIRST RESPONDER DAY in Riverdale, Iowa***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

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Michael Bawden, Mayor  
City of Riverdale