

**Introduced By:** MVC Chair Collazo  
**Sponsored By:** Military and Veterans Caucus, Military and Veteran Student Success Center, Student Veterans of America  
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**University of Central Florida  
Fifty-Sixth Student Body Senate  
Proclamation 56-11**

[Proclamation Recognizing September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance]

**WHEREAS**, Senate Rule 2.04(G)(1) states that the Student Body Advocacy (SBA) Committee shall pass measures advocating on behalf of the student body regarding student and university affairs at the University of Central Florida (UCF);  
**WHEREAS**, Senate Rule 5.01(D)(1) states that Proclamations are defined as measures recognizing, celebrating, or condemning extraordinary events, organizations, or individuals on behalf of all Student Government Agents;  
**WHEREAS**, On September 11, 2001, the United States suffered devastating terrorist attacks that tragically claimed the lives of 2,977 individuals and counting, including 15 Floridians, profoundly affecting our nation and the world;  
**WHEREAS**, In the wake of these attacks, President George W. Bush signed Public Law 107-89 on December 18, 2001, designating September 11<sup>th</sup> as the “National Day of Service and Remembrance” in honor of the victims and heroes of that day;  
**WHEREAS**, This law embodies the nation’s resolve to commemorate the day with programs and activities that reflect our shared values of freedom, justice, and service to community;  
**WHEREAS**, Congress and the President have called upon State and local governments, as well as the people of the United States, to observe Patriot Day with appropriate solemnity through several key actions, including displaying the flag of the United States at half-staff to honor the individuals who lost their lives and observing a moment of silence to reflect on the sacrifices made during and because of the terrorist attacks;  
**WHEREAS**, The University of Central Florida (UCF) supports these national efforts through its annual 9/11 Commemoration Ceremony, organized by UCF’s Military and Veteran Student Success Center in collaboration with UCF History’s Community Veterans History Project; and  
**WHEREAS**, UCF is committed to honoring those who were lost, including our fellow Floridians, and fostering an environment of reflection and learning about the impacts of this day.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Fifty-Sixth Student Senate of the University of Central Florida hereby proclaim September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, as Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Proclamation be sent to UCF President’s Office, the Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities Jeffrey Moore, Director of the Military and Veteran Student Success Center Michael Kepner, Chief of Police and Associate Vice President for Public Safety Carl Metzger, President of the Student Veterans of America UCF Chapter Michael Richardson, President of the UCF Women’s Veteran Association Alexandria Marcellus, Professor of Military Science LTC Patrick C. Mulloy, UCF AFROTC Detachment 159 Commander Colonel Phelemon T. Williams II, UCF PD, and Executive Director of UCF RESTORES Dr. Deborah Beidel.

**AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES**

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Senate President

09/10/2024

Date

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09/12/2024

Date