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Relating to declaring September 11, 2002, as a Day of Remembrance.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, at 8:45 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time, American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the World Trade Center North Tower in New York City causing the loss of 92 lives onboard; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, at 9:03 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time, United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the World Trade Center South Tower causing the loss of 65 lives onboard; and

**WHEREAS** 343 New York City firefighters and 23 New York City police officers were lost in the attack on the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, many of whom were climbing resolutely toward the upper floors of the buildings in an effort to stem the fire and rescue building occupants when the towers collapsed; and

**WHEREAS** an estimated 2,840 lives were lost in the collapse of the World Trade Center's North and South Towers; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, at 9:43 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time, hijacked

American Airlines Flight 77 crashed into the west side of the Pentagon building in Washington, D.C., causing the loss of all 64 lives aboard; and

**WHEREAS** 125 service members, employees, and contract workers at the Pentagon building also lost their lives as a result of the crash of American Airlines Flight 77; and

**WHEREAS** the passengers and crew onboard United Airlines Flight 93, aware of the earlier attacks on the World Trade Center towers, refused to stand by and allow the Boeing 757 to be used in the same manner; and

**WHEREAS** passengers and crew onboard United Airlines Flight 93 put a plan into action to stop the hijacking signaled by the now famous words "Are you guys ready? Let's roll"; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time, all 45 lives aboard United Airlines Flight 93 were lost when the plane crashed in southwestern Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, in the aftermath of this national tragedy, hundreds more firefighters, paramedics, police officers, members of the National Guard, and other emergency response personnel, including many individuals from Alaska, have participated selflessly in the rescue and cleanup efforts at the World Trade Center; and

**WHEREAS** the tragic events of September 11 remind us of the tremendous contribution of these highly trained and dedicated individuals to our society and way of life;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature honors the emergency service providers, armed forces personnel, and citizen volunteers of Alaska for their courage, sacrifice, and dedication in serving Alaskans; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the governor to proclaim September 11, 2002, as a Day of Remembrance; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature encourages all public and private agencies and citizens of the state to show their appreciation for the state's emergency service providers, armed forces personnel, and citizen volunteers on September 11, 2002.