

RESOLUTION NO. ____-23

A RESOLUTION HONORING SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 AS A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

WHEREAS, the United States of America was viciously attacked on home ground at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon and in the air over Pennsylvania on September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, nearly 3,000 American children, women and men lost their lives that day and we shall never forget the devastation and loss we suffered as individuals and as a nation; and

WHEREAS, with gratitude, we honor the brave first responders, resolute members of our military, and ordinary Americans who showed extraordinary courage to save others on that fateful day; and

WHEREAS, all men and women on duty that day serving in the armed forces, including in Cheyenne Mountain, played a critical role in ensuring the safety of all Americans; and

WHEREAS, former Colorado Springs resident and Mitchell High School graduate Kathryn Yancey LaBorie tragically lost her life while serving as a flight attendant on United Flight 175 that was hijacked by terrorists and crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center;

WHEREAS, Kathryn's parents, Gene and Flo Yancey, commemorate her life and the others that lost their lives on September 11, 2001 annually at Mitchell High School;

WHEREAS, as we mourn on this most solemn anniversary, let us also reflect on the freedom and tolerance that define this great Nation, and let us reaffirm our commitment to preserving those fundamental values for each generation of Americans to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. That City Council hereby honors September 11, 2023 as a Day of Remembrance and urges residents to live up to the selfless example of the heroes who gave of themselves in the face of such great evil.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 22nd day of August, 2023.

Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk