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A Day of Remembrance

The September 11th attacks were a series of four coordinated terrorist attacks by the Islamic terrorist group al-Qaeda against the United States on the morning of Tuesday, September 11, 2001. The attacks killed 2,996 people, injured over 6,000 others, and caused at least \$10 billion in infrastructure and property damage. Additional people died of 9/11-related cancer and respiratory diseases in the months and years following the attacks.

Our President at the time, George W. Bush stated, "Time is passing. Yet, for the United States of America, there will be no forgetting September the 11th. We will remember every rescuer who died in honor. We will remember every family that lives in grief. We will remember the fire and ash, the last phone calls, the funerals of the children. We now have inscribed a new memory alongside those others. It's a memory of tragedy and shock, of loss and mourning. But not only of loss and mourning, it's also a memory of bravery and self-sacrifice, and the love that lays down its life for a friend-even a friend whose name it never knew."

We will not forget. We will remember! We will pray for all those who have given the ultimate sacrifice. We will pray for all of those men and women who are today and who are always on guard serving to protect the United States of America so we never have to suffer such a great loss again.

Therefore, it is my order that every Chapter observe a moment of silent prayer in memory of those who have suffered due to this tragedy on or around September 11th.

In Witness Thereof, I have set my hand and seal on this 16th Day of August, 2018, A: I: 2548 at Lake Mary Florida.

Harry V. Eisenberg

Most Excellent Grand High Priest

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All men are born of Mothers — All Masons are raised by Broases