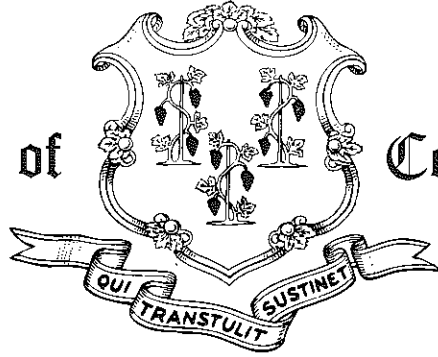


State of Connecticut



By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an
Official Statement

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2001, President George W. Bush signed a bill designating September 11 of each year as "Patriot Day" to pay tribute to the nearly 3,000 civilians and first responders who lost their lives in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, during one of the greatest tragedies in American history, our country showed courage, selflessness, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, on that day, first responders and civilians rushed to the aid of their neighbors without hesitation, demonstrating the patriotism of our great country; and

WHEREAS, true patriotism is a uniting sense of community and compassion, regardless of race, gender, age, background or faith; and

WHEREAS, these are the principles this country was founded on, and will allow us to continue to endure; and

WHEREAS, this day is a time to reflect on this foundation, and to focus on continuing to make the United States of America what it is: a country that cherishes diversity, values all citizens, and respects differences; and

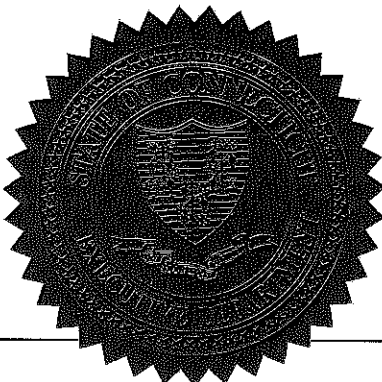
WHEREAS, the freedom and liberty we enjoy today are due to the sacrifices of individuals and communities that work together to protect our values, lives, families, and nation; now

THEREFORE, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby proclaim September 11-17, 2019 as

PATRIOT WEEK

September 11, 2019 as

PATRIOT DAY
in the State of Connecticut.



Ned Lamont

GOVERNOR