

Town of Blowing Rock Resolution to Honor Blowing Rock's Fallen Firefighters

WHEREAS, the United States Congress and the President of the United States have designated the day of the annual National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service as a day to honor firefighters and emergency services personnel who have sacrificed their lives to save others by lowering the American flag on all federal buildings to half-staff;

WHEREAS, an average of 100 firefighters courageously make the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty each year;

WHEREAS, the events of September 11, 2001, brought national attention to the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices faced by fire and emergency services personnel on a daily basis;

WHEREAS, firefighters and emergency services personnel play an essential role in the protection of lives and property in our local community

WHEREAS, the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service marks the beginning of the annual Fire Prevention Week observance;

and WHEREAS, it is of major importance that we increase our efforts to reduce deaths, injuries, and property losses from fire;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Blowing Rock, Mayor and Board of Commissioners, now call upon all citizens of the Town of Blowing Rock and upon all patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe the day of October 7, 2018, in recognition of the patriotic service and dedicated efforts of our fire and emergency services personnel by lowering American flags on all buildings to half-staff. We further call upon citizens of the Town of Blowing Rock to remember all fire and emergency personnel who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community and to pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes, Charles "Tommy" Wright, 3/21/2010 and Douglas "Bruce" Coffey, 7/23/2003. Further, we encourage our citizens to remember and honor all other fire and emergency services personnel, who have passed, for their faithful and loyal devotion to duties, and invaluable service to our community and its citizens. Witnessed this day, September 11, 2018.

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Charlie Sellers, Mavor	Hilari Hubner. Town Clerk