

**Caroline County
Board of Supervisors Agenda
Executive Summary**

Meeting Date: September 10, 2019

Title: Consent Agenda – Adoption of a Resolution Declaring September 11, 2019 as “First Responder Day” in Caroline County

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent	<input type="checkbox"/> Closed Meeting
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing
<input type="checkbox"/> No Action (Information Only)	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance
<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> PowerPoint Presentation

Background: Virginia House Joint Resolution 646 officially designates Wednesday, September 11, and every following year on September 11, as First Responder Day in Virginia. House Joint Resolution 646 establishes September 11 as the day to remember and recognize first responders in Virginia for their courage and dedication to protect and aid the public during emergencies as both professional and volunteer first responders. In the resolution, first responders are listed as 911 dispatchers, law-enforcement officers, professional and volunteer firefighters, professional and volunteer emergency medical services personnel, emergency management professionals, search and rescue teams, rescue pilots and divers, the Virginia National Guard, and members of other organizations in the public safety sector.

Staff will prepare a resolution declaring September 11, 2019 as First Responder Day in Caroline County prior to the September 10th Board meeting.

Budget Impact: N/A

Requested Action(s) of Board: Adopt resolution



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A RESOLUTION DECLARING SEPTEMBER 11th
AS FIRST RESPONDERS DAY IN CAROLINE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Caroline County volunteer and career first responders include law enforcement officers, firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, and 911 dispatchers who bravely and selflessly risk their lives every day to protect Caroline County families, visitors and businesses; and

WHEREAS, first responders are the first and best defense against all emergencies that threaten our community and stand ready to respond twenty-four hours a day; and

WHEREAS, Caroline County first responders do not hesitate to risk their own lives in order to save the lives of others, and their commitment to continued training, skill enhancement, and inter-agency coordination make them vital members of our community; and

WHEREAS, the life of a first responder requires the sacrifice of time with family; and physical and mental stress; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia General Assembly has designated September 11th, in 2019 and in each succeeding year, as First Responders Day in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of local first responders and emergency service personnel, including emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, law enforcement officers, and the many individuals, volunteers and otherwise that provide services to Caroline County and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Caroline County Board of Supervisors wishes to honor and support all first responders with an annual day of appreciation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Caroline County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims September 11th, as *FIRST RESPONDERS DAY* in Caroline County in an effort to recognize and celebrate our County's first responders, and encourages all citizens to take time out of their day to show first responders and their families how much we value their service to our community.

Adopted this 10th day of September 2019.

Charles M. Culley, Jr.
Clerk to the Board

Clayton T. Forehand
Chairman