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H.B. NO. 274

A Bill for an Act Relating to Patriot Day.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that on September 11, 2001, more than three thousand people lost their lives after hijacked airplanes crashed into the World Trade Center in New York, the Pentagon in Virginia, and in rural Pennsylvania. The legislature further finds that during the aftermath of these attacks, true heroism was defined by the brave acts of police officers, firefighters, emergency personnel, and ordinary citizens. The purpose of this measure is to honor those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, and to acknowledge the bravery of those who assisted in rescue efforts following the attacks.

SECTION 2. Chapter 8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“§8- Patriot Day. September eleventh shall be known and designated as “Patriot Day”. This day shall not be construed to be a state holiday.”

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SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 23, 2009.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.