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## **City Marking Sept. 11 Anniversary with Several Events**

**Beaumont, Texas** – The City of Beaumont will mark the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks with several events throughout the week preceding the anniversary, culminating in a ceremony on Sunday, Sept. 11, at the Beaumont Botanical Gardens in Tyrrell Park.

- **Tuesday, Sept. 6:** City Council will issue a resolution recognizing Sept. 11 as an official day of remembrance, and calling on citizens to observe a minute of silence at 12 p.m. Central Time on Sunday, Sept. 11. The resolution also asks police, fire and other institutions to ring bells, blow whistles or sound sirens as appropriate at that time.
- **Friday, Sept. 9:** The Beaumont Fire Department will hold its 10<sup>th</sup> annual 9/11 Tribute and Memorial Blood Drive from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the No. 1 Fire Station, 747 College St. The event is sponsored by LifeShare Blood Centers and HEB. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. The blood drive will run from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call Capt. Brad Penisson at 409-880-3931.
- **Sunday, Sept. 11:** The Beaumont Council of Garden Clubs and the City of Beaumont will hold a memorial ceremony at the Beaumont Botanical Gardens at Tyrrell Park, 6088 Babe Zaharias Drive. The event will run from 4 to 6 p.m. Mayor Becky Ames will officiate, and members of local first responders and members of the military will make remarks. For more information, contact Barbara Otto at 409-880-3736.

The Beaumont Council of Garden Clubs dedicated its Sept. 11 memorial garden and monument in 2002. It contains granite replicas of the Twin Towers, with other granite features representing victims, first responders and the military. The site also contains soil from each of the three crash sites – New York City, Arlington, Va., and Shanksville, Pa.

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