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**SUBJECT: The City of Duluth to host September 11 Remembrance Ceremony**

**BY: Kate Van Daele, Public Information Officer**

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[Duluth, MN] The City of Duluth will commemorate the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in a closed indoor ceremony. Members of the Duluth Police and Fire Departments will join Mayor Emily Larson, Fire Chief Shawn Krizaj, and Police Chief Mike Tusken in a remembrance ceremony at the Duluth Entertainment & Convention Center's Ice Cube at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 11.

"September 11 was a day that changed my life," Mayor Emily Larson said. "Like so many other people, I remember absolutely everything about that day. And I remember the feeling of shock, horror, fear, courage, and unity in the days, weeks, and months which followed. Twenty years later, it's still important for us to gather and remember who and what we lost and to honor the many ways our lives were changed forever."

Due to the increased risk of COVID-19, the event will be closed to the public; however, the City will be live-streaming the event on their Facebook page. As a reminder, you do not need to have a Facebook account to watch the live stream. To view the ceremony, click on the following link

<https://www.facebook.com/City-of-Duluth-MN-Government-197321860309981>.

Local media is invited to attend the ceremony. For questions, please contact Kate Van Daele or Mattie Hjelseth.

**Ceremony Agenda**

Welcome: Chaplain John Petrich

National Anthem: Samantha Warneke

Gathering Prayer: Chaplain Jon Haataja

Speakers:

- Chaplain Kevin Norton

- Mayor Emily Larson

Song: John Reisgraf

Bell Ceremony: Duluth Fire Department

Sending Prayer: Chaplain Hardest

Rifle Salute and Taps: Duluth Fire and Police Honor Guard

Amazing Grace: Chuck Bergquist

Dismissal: Chaplain John Petrich

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