RESOLUTION NO. 287

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS IN RESPONSE TO THE ATTACK ON AMERICA

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, terrorists hijacked four civilian aircraft, crashing two into the World Trade Center in New York City, a third into the Pentagon outside of Washington, D.C., and a fourth into the countryside of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, thousands of innocent people, both Americans and visitors to our country, were killed and injured as a result of these wicked and reprehensible attacks, including the passengers and crews of the aircraft, workers in the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, bystanders, tourists and rescue workers; and

WHEREAS, these attacks were the deadliest assaults ever launched against the United States, and, by targeting symbols of American strength and success, were clearly intended to intimidate our Nation and weaken our resolve;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Columbus, Kansas, that we do condemn and denounce the terrorists who planned and executed this devastation, as well as their cowardly sponsors and accomplices; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we extend our deepest condolences to the victims of these heinous and ungodly actions, as well as to their families and their friends; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we commend the heroic actions of the passengers and crews of the aircraft, the rescue workers, the volunteers, the local officials, and so many of the victims, themselves, who responded to these tragic events with courage, compassion, determination and skill; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we thank those foreign leaders and individuals who have expressed solidarity with the United States in the aftermath of the attacks; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we support President Bush, his Cabinet, our Armed Forces, our Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies and the Congress of the United States in their efforts to bring justice to the perpetrators of these attacks, and to their accomplices and sponsors.

ADOPTED THIS first day of October, 2001, by the City Council of the City of Columbus, Kansas.

V.E. Schaiff, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kinn Richards, City Clerk