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North Metro Fire, Broomfield Police and City Will Host 9/11 Memorial Ceremony

Broomfield, CO— On Friday, Sept. 11, North Metro Fire Rescue District, the Broomfield Police Department and the City and County of Broomfield will hold their annual 9/11 Memorial Ceremony at the Broomfield Amphitheater in Community Park. The ceremony will take place at 8 a.m. and is free and open to the public.

“We hold this event every year to remember all of the innocent lives lost on September 11,” said North Metro Fire Chief David Ramos. “Whether civilian, police officer, firefighter or military member, all of us have been impacted by the tragic events from that day, and it’s important that we don’t forget the sacrifices made and the loved ones who never returned home.”

The ceremony will begin at the Broomfield Amphitheater at 3 Community Park Road and will include a combined Honor Guard service from the Broomfield Police and North Metro Fire as well as local bugler Tom Rudd and bagpiper Michael Lancaster.

Remarks will be made by Broomfield Mayor Randy Ahrens, Police Chief Gary Creager, Fire Chief David Ramos and a family member of 9/11 victim Chris Faughnan. A Colorado native, Faughnan was working at the top of the World Trade Center’s North Tower at the time of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. His brother, Michael Faughnan, will be speaking on behalf of their family.

Attendees will then process over to the 9/11 Memorial where the flag will be lowered and presented, and a ceremonial bell will be rung to remember each of the three sites attacked. Adjoining the memorial grounds on Spader Way, two fire engines will raise their ladders together and display an American flag in remembrance.

Close to 3,000 people died during the Sept. 11 attacks in 2001 and hundreds more have died since due to health complications from exposure to toxins at the scene. Of those lives lost on Sept. 11, over 400 were firefighters, policemen and emergency services providers.

North Metro Fire encourages any area residents who were involved in the 9/11 attacks or who lost loved ones to contact the fire district if they wish to be recognized at the memorial ceremony.

For more information or to be recognized, contact Sara Farris at North Metro Fire at (303) 252-3017.