

State of Louisiana



Parish of Caddo

In the Name and By the Authority of The
Caddo Parish Commission

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Honoring Gold Star Survivors and Recognizing Their Sacrifice in Service to Our Nation

WHEREAS, the term "Gold Star" originated during World War I when families displayed service flags bearing a blue star for each military service member serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, which was replaced with a gold star when a service member was killed in action or died during service; and

WHEREAS, Gold Star survivors are the mothers, fathers, spouses, children, siblings, and other family members who have lost a loved one in the line of duty, each bearing a personal and often unspoken grief that few can truly comprehend; and

WHEREAS, the sacrifice made by their loved ones who laid down their lives in defense of our nation stands as a profound testament to the courage, commitment, and sense of duty they held to preserve our freedoms; and

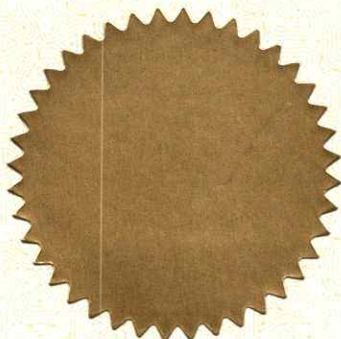
WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that we, as a community, honor the strength, resilience, and patriotism of these survivors, who continue to carry forward the legacy of those lost in service; and

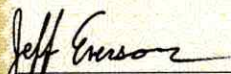
WHEREAS, the last Sunday in September is recognized as Gold Star Mother's Day and serves as an opportunity to honor those mothers who have lost a son or daughter in the line of duty, and for the community to publicly express love, sorrow and reverence towards the mothers and their families; and

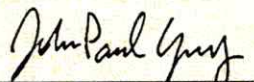
WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission wishes to formally recognize and honor Gold Star survivors, particularly the Gold Star Mothers, by offering deep gratitude for the immeasurable sacrifice their families have made in defense of our country;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Caddo Parish Commission, in due and legal session convened, that it does hereby declare September 29th, 2024 as **Gold Star Mother's Day** in Caddo Parish and asks all citizens to honor and pay tribute to Gold Star survivors, recognizing their continued strength, sacrifice, and the cherished memory of their loved ones who gave the ultimate sacrifice for the United States of America.

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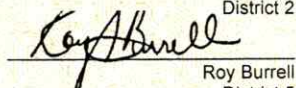


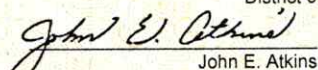

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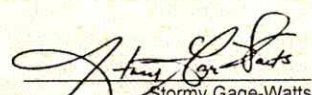

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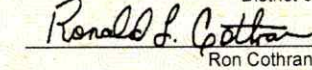

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