

From: Official ESU Email

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Subject: A message to ESU's campus honoring victims of September 11, 2001 from Interim President Kenneth Long - Thursday, September 9

Warriors,

On Saturday, we as a nation will mark the 20th anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks on the U.S., specifically the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and United Airlines Flight 93 (Shanksville, Pa.). In remembrance of this solemn day, ESU's Office of Veterans' Services will hold its annual Moving Flag Tribute on Friday, September 10. Faculty, staff, students, clubs and organizations will keep a flag moving continuously around campus on Friday from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. Please take a moment to stop and honor this tribute as it passes through campus to honor the nearly 3,000 lives that were lost that day. I ask that each of us to also observe a moment of silence at 8:46 a.m. on Saturday, September 11, to correspond with the time that the attacks on our great nation began, the time that the first plane, American Airlines Flight 11, struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center 20 years ago.

While most of our students may be too young to remember the events of that day, and some who were not yet born, September 11, 2001 has certainly impacted the world in which our students grew up. It seems only right for us to take a moment to pause and remember the nearly 3,000 lives that were lost, and the more than 6,000 who were injured, including the hundreds of firefighters, police officers and other first responders who were called to service. Those lost included one of our own, Martin Wortley '95, who worked and died in the Twin Towers. We remember them all.

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