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**9/11 Patriot Day Commemoration
The City of Rancho Santa Margarita
Welcomes Its Adopted Second Battalion, Fifth Marines
With Local Boy and Girl Scouts to Remember Patriot Day**

Rancho Santa Margarita – The City of Rancho Santa Margarita welcomes the Second Battalion, Fifth Marines (2/5) to City Hall on September 11, from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. to commemorate Patriot Day.

The 2/5 will be hosting a “Static Display” in the City Hall parking lot where you can meet Marines of the adopted battalion and get a close up view of military vehicles, including HUMVEES and a display of assorted weaponry. At 12:00 p.m., local Boy and Girl Scouts will present a flag ceremony, including a 21-gun salute by members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW Post 6024) followed by Taps, as we remember the victims of the tragedy on September 11, 2001, and honor the men and women who serve our country to protect our freedom.

The designation of Patriot Day occurred on October 25, 2001 in memory of the 2,993 killed in the September 11, 2001 attacks. Initially, the day was called the “Prayer and Remembrance for the Victims of the Terrorist Attack on September 11, 2001.”

We anticipate this to be a very special commemoration of the events of 9/11 – and an acknowledgement of the collective and inspiring patriotism that was demonstrated by citizens young and old, throughout neighborhoods, small towns, and communities throughout our country, in recognition of those who lost their lives in the tragedy we collectively refer to as 9/11, and those who continue to serve our country.

This is a free family event brought to you by Second Battalion, Fifth Marines. Bring your cameras and join the community as we remember the Nation’s Patriots.

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