

Condolence Resolution Text

WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, The United States endured a violent terrorist attack leading to the tragic deaths and injuries of thousands of innocent people, becoming the most devastating attack on American soil in our history; and

WHEREAS, 20 years later the country continues to, and shall forever, mourn their tragic loss and honor their memories and the sacrifices made by first responders who paid with their lives; and

WHEREAS, Many first responders, rescue and recovery workers, volunteers, and survivors of the attacks continue to suffer from serious medical illnesses and emotional distress related to the physical and mental trauma of the tragedy; and

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth and its people will never forget the heroic first responders who, without hesitation, put their lives in danger, running into burning buildings while others ran out, and the 44 brave citizens aboard flight 93 who likely saved the lives of hundreds of Americans and the destruction of the U.S. Capitol with their heroic act in overtaking the terrorists flying the plane; and

WHEREAS, On the 20th anniversary of this tragic day, the thoughts of the people of this Commonwealth and the United States are with the victims of the events of September 11, 2001, and their families; and

WHEREAS, That the House of Representatives recognizes September 11 as a day of solemn commemoration and extends again its deepest sympathies to the thousands of innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, and to their families, friends, and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, That the House of Representatives reaffirm that the people of this Commonwealth will never forget the challenges our country endured on and since September 11, 2001, and will work tirelessly to preserve our freedom and to defeat those who attacked the United States; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives pay special tribute, on this 20th anniversary of the attacks, to all the men and women who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, and offers its deepest condolences to the families of first responders who lost their lives on that day and a vow to never forget their sacrifices.