

2011-K1402

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION observing the 10th Anniversary of the completion of recovery efforts at the World Trade Center site on May 30, 2012, and commemorating the resilient spirit of all the men and women who helped New York overcome great adversity

WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, the very principles of American freedom, and the safety and security of every American at home and abroad were challenged by the unspeakable atrocities committed on that day; and

WHEREAS, This quickly unfolding personal and national tragedy took the lives of thousands yet, at the same time, led to an outpouring of selfless personal heroism by numerous firefighters, police officers, medical and rescue personnel, and many other individuals, demonstrating the compassion, determination, and love of freedom which are the embodiment of the spirit of every New Yorker and every American; and

WHEREAS, These valiant men and women rushed to the aid of their fellow New Yorkers without regard for their own safety, aptly demonstrating the character and initiative which personify the highest ideals eternally apparent in the citizens of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, A decade later, New York's resilience is clearly evident; together, adversity has been overcome, with many buildings replacing the dismal rubble and the Big Apple thriving once again with businesses, people, and the activity and action for which the City of New York is known around the world; and

WHEREAS, The power of human compassion and the strength of the American spirit were revealed time and time again as we learned of the outpouring of service and concern the City and State of New York, and our great country, experienced on September 11th and in its aftermath; and

WHEREAS, The spirit and compassionate heroism of America was evident in the actions of every individual who responded during that difficult time for our nation; and

WHEREAS, The events of 9/11 continue to inspire New Yorkers to perform acts of heroism and civic duty; and

WHEREAS, May 30, 2012, marked the end of the rescue and recovery oper-

ation at the former World Trade Center site; thousands of New Yorkers worked or volunteered during the days and months leading up to that day; and

WHEREAS, On the 10th Anniversary of the completion of recovery efforts at the World Trade Center site, it is appropriate to pause to once again express how grateful we continue to be for their service to the people of the City and State of New York; and

WHEREAS, With deep respect and great admiration, this Legislative Body is moved to inscribe upon its book of records this tribute to all those who helped in the recovery efforts at the World Trade Center, that future generations may know and appreciate their commitment and courage in the face of unknown danger, and the respect and esteem with which they will forever be remembered; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to thank and commend all those who assisted in the recovery efforts following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and to observe the 10th Anniversary of the completion of recovery efforts at the World Trade Center site on May 30, 2012, and to commemorate the resilient spirit of all the men and women who helped New York overcome great adversity; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joseph C. Daniels, President/CEO, National September 11 Memorial & Museum.