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Senator Squadron Honors 9/11 Teen Filmmaker on Senate Floor

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Squadron Presents Peters Family with Resolution, Joined by Local Firefighters

NEW YORK – Following last week's historic events and as New York prepares for the tenth anniversary of September 11th, State Senator Daniel Squadron presented Lower Manhattan teen Brook Peters with a Senate resolution honoring the selection of his 9/11 documentary for screening at the Tribeca Film Festival.

Brook's documentary, titled "The Second Day," explores how Lower Manhattan children have processed the trauma of the attacks and recovered alongside the community. Brook was in his second day of kindergarten on 9/11/2001.

Senator Squadron's resolution honoring Brook Peters passed the State Senate unanimously on Wednesday. Senator Squadron presented the resolution to Brook on Friday in Zuccotti Park, accompanied by Brook's mother Michelle Peters and firefighters from FDNY Engine Company 10 and FDNY Ladder Company 10. Michelle volunteers for the FDNY.

"This week, in which the whole world has turned its attention again to the attacks of September 11th, 2001... it's appropriate to highlight what's happening locally and what's happening on the personal level," Senator Squadron said on the Senate floor.

"As all of us approach the tenth anniversary of the attacks, we think this week both about the fact that we've brought Bin Laden to justice and the fact that together as a city, as a state, and as a nation we are continuing to learn from and rise above those attacks," said Senator Squadron. "I think that Brook Peters' success and sensitivity - the way that he has addressed and approached this issue - really should be commended and highlighted.

"I want to take a moment on the floor of the State Senate to commend and thank Brook for reminding us all of the many different ways September 11th still affects us and the many different ways that we are all, as a community, continuing to rise above it." Video of Senator Squadron's remarks on the Senate floor is available here: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gkOCZ0GrFMM

Photos of Senator Squadron's presentation of the resolution to Brook are attached.

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