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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2014

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing September 11, 2014, as a day of solemn commemoration  
2 of the events of September 11, 2001, and offering the  
3 Commonwealth's deepest and most sincere condolences to the  
4 families, friends and loved ones of the innocent victims of  
5 the attacks.

6 WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, the peace and security of our  
7 nation was shattered by cowardly terrorist attacks that killed  
8 nearly 3,000 innocent and brave people at the World Trade Center  
9 towers in New York City, at the United States Pentagon and in  
10 Shanksville, Pennsylvania; and

11 WHEREAS, At 8:46 a.m., hijacked American Airlines Flight 11  
12 crashed into the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New  
13 York City, New York; and

14 WHEREAS, At 9:03 a.m., hijacked United Airlines Flight 175

1 crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center; and

2 WHEREAS, At 9:37 a.m., the Pentagon was hit by hijacked  
3 American Airlines Flight 77, the impact of which caused  
4 immediate and catastrophic damage to the headquarters of the  
5 Department of Defense; and

6 WHEREAS, At approximately 10 a.m., the passengers and crew of  
7 hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 acted heroically to retake  
8 control of the airplane and thwart the taking of additional  
9 American lives by crashing the airliner in Shanksville, Somerset  
10 County, and, in doing so, gave their lives to save countless  
11 others; and

12 WHEREAS, These attacks claimed nearly 3,000 innocent lives,  
13 becoming the most devastating attack on American soil in our  
14 history; and

15 WHEREAS, Many individuals unselfishly gave their lives in  
16 unyielding courage and sacrifice with the passenger resistance  
17 that occurred on United Airlines Flight 93 in Somerset County;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Their acts of courage and sacrifice for our country  
20 are worthy of acknowledgment and commendation and they shall  
21 remain in our hearts and minds forever, their remembrance  
22 continuing to be passed on to future generations; and

23 WHEREAS, Many brave people heroically, tirelessly and  
24 courageously participated in an extraordinarily difficult and  
25 dangerous rescue and recovery effort, in some cases voluntarily  
26 putting their own well-being at risk; and

27 WHEREAS, The heroic and gallant sacrifices the emergency  
28 medical services responders made on that disastrous September  
29 morning are likewise worthy and deserving of commemoration,  
30 recognition and honor on this 13th anniversary of the attacks;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, Thirteen years later, thousands of men and women in  
3 the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending  
4 the United States against those who seek to threaten the United  
5 States; and

6 WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, the terrorists targeted  
7 symbols of American strength and prosperity as an attack on the  
8 principles, values and freedoms of the American people, but  
9 instead, inspired the very best of American courage, compassion  
10 and resilience and demonstrated our resolve to protect our  
11 democracy and our way of life; and

12 WHEREAS, Because of the loss of innocent lives, left behind  
13 were husbands, wives, children, mothers, fathers, brothers,  
14 sisters, family members and friends who, along with the nation  
15 as a whole, will forever mourn that catastrophic day and the  
16 lives that were lost; and

17 WHEREAS, On the 13th anniversary of that tragic day, the  
18 thoughts of the people of this Commonwealth and the United  
19 States are with the victims of the events of September 11, 2001,  
20 and their families; therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize  
22 September 11, 2014, as a day of solemn commemoration of the  
23 events of September 11, 2001, and offer its deepest and most  
24 sincere condolences to the families, friends and loved ones of  
25 the innocent victims of the attacks; and be it further

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

1       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives pay special  
2       tribute, on this 13th anniversary of the attacks, to all the men  
3       and women who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.