

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 537

Approved September 21, 2001

WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, the United States of America was suddenly and brutally attacked; and

WHEREAS, Four civilian aircraft were hijacked and destroyed, two being crashed into the towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, and a third into the Pentagon outside Washington, D.C., and a fourth in Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of innocent citizens of the United States, as well as citizens from over 50 other countries, were killed and injured as a result of these attacks, including the passengers and crew of the four aircraft, workers and visitors in the World Trade Center and in the Pentagon, rescue workers and bystanders; and

WHEREAS, These heinous acts were by far the deadliest terrorist attacks ever launched against the United States, and, by targeting symbols of American strength and prosperity, clearly were intended to intimidate our nation and weaken its resolve; and

WHEREAS, Though these horrific events have affected all United States citizens, it is important that we carry on with the regular activities of our lives; terrorism cannot be allowed to break the spirit of our nation's people, nor the pillars upon which our country was built: life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council:

1) Condemns the terrorist attack on the United States and supports the President of the United States as he works with Congress and the national security team to defend against additional attacks, and find the perpetrators to bring them to justice.

2) Recommends that our community support relief efforts by residents donating blood at the nearest available blood donation center and/or through donations at the many charitable organizations that provide disaster support.

3) That, upon approval, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United States, the Honorable Jack Reed and the Honorable Lincoln Chafee United States Senators, the Honorable Patrick Kennedy and the Honorable James Langevin, United States House of Representatives, the Honorable George Pataki, Governor of New York and the Honorable Rudolf Giuliani, Mayor of New York City.

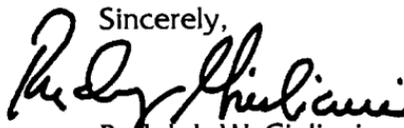


October, 2001

Thank you for your kind letter concerning the attack on the World Trade Center. I know that all New Yorkers deeply appreciate your thoughts and prayers on behalf of the victims and their families.

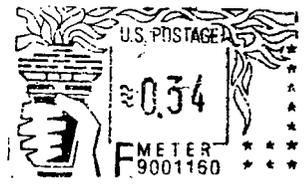
In the aftermath of this unimaginable tragedy, New Yorkers and Americans have united as never before. Inspired by countless examples of courage and generosity, we have met the worst of humanity with the best of humanity.

God bless America.

Sincerely,

Rudolph W. Giuliani
Mayor

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 1, 2001

Dear Mr. Clement:

Thank you for submitting a resolution in support of the President regarding the acts of war committed against the United States on September 11. In the face of this evil, our country remains strong and united, a beacon of freedom and opportunity to the rest of the world.

Our Government continues to function without interruption. Our intelligence, military, and law enforcement communities are working non-stop to find those responsible for these acts. We will make no distinction between the terrorists who committed these acts and those who help or harbor them.

We must remember that our Arab and Muslim American citizens love our Nation and must be treated with dignity and respect. Americans of every creed, ethnicity, and national origin must unite against our common enemies.

Since these terrible tragedies occurred, our citizens have been generous, kind, resourceful, and brave. The President encourages all Americans to find a way to help. Web sites like LibertyUnites.org, can serve as a resource for those wanting to participate in the relief efforts.

The President deeply appreciates the support and prayers of so many Americans.

Sincerely,



Ruben Barrales
Deputy Assistant to the President and
Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honorable Michael R. Clement
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1 By Request of Council President John J. Lombardi, "Off the Docket" for September 20, 2001

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