

## Governor Chris Christie Marks Anniversary Of September 11th Attacks

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**Trenton, NJ** - Governor Chris Christie today released the following statement in remembrance of the September 11, 2001 attacks:

"On the fourteenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, we pause to remember those thousands of innocent victims who lost their lives that day in New York City, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania. We can all remember where we were on this day fourteen years ago, and in New Jersey, today is a somber reminder for so many families across our state who tragically lost loved ones. Like countless other Americans, the attacks on 9/11 hit especially close to home for Mary Pat and our family and friends, as we mourned for those that we lost and saw unimaginable grief take a toll on victims' families. Today is a time for us all to reflect on the acts of heroism and courage that were displayed by so many on that September morning. Let us also remember today those Americans in uniform - firefighters, police officers, EMS responders, and our servicemen and women - who work every day to protect us and to defend the many freedoms we enjoy. Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of those lost and those who continue to fight to protect our nation and our freedoms at home and overseas."

Governor Christie signed Executive Order No. 183 ordering all State buildings to fly flags at half-staff on Friday, September 11, 2015 to recognize and mourn the thousands of lives lost in the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks. The Governor also issued a proclamation marking September 11, 2015 as "Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance" throughout New Jersey.

Copies of the Governor's Executive Order and Proclamation are attached to the release.

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