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*District Attorney's Office Honors the Victims and Emergency
Responders Killed in the 9/11 Attacks*

This year has been filled with serious challenges for this country. The pandemic, social unrest, and wildfires have caused physical, mental, and emotional pain for the people of this nation, including here in Colorado. As a state, we move through these trying times and, hopefully, learn and grow from them.

On September 11th, it is important to honor and remember the lives of those lost on this day in 2001. Thousands of innocent lives were taken, including hundreds of first responders. As they are doing right now in response to the wildfires throughout Colorado, on September 11th, firefighters and police officers ran towards the danger as many tried to escape from the threat of harm. Of the 2,977 victims killed in the September 11th attacks, 412 were emergency workers in New York City who responded to the World Trade Center including firefighters, police officers, and paramedics.

The staff of the District Attorney's Office will never forget the loss of all the victims and the incredible sacrifice of the first responders on 9/11.

District Attorney Michael Dougherty stated, "It is difficult to believe that 19 years have passed. I was in downtown Manhattan, about to start a robbery trial, when I heard the first plane crashing into the North Tower and the stream of sirens that followed heading towards the World Trade Center. I will never forget the events of that day, and the months that followed. We honor the memory of the nearly three thousand lives lost in New York, Pennsylvania, and at the Pentagon. This day is always such a powerful reminder of the incredible courage and sacrifice of our first responders. Throughout this year of difficult challenges, I often think of 9/11 and our collective strength and spirit – and our ability to persevere."