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Congressman reflects on past year, renews resolve in war on terrorism

New York City, NY - In remembrance of the one year anniversary of September 11th and in a demonstration of his resolve against terrorism, Congressman Steve Rothman (D-NJ9) today joined his fellow Members of Congress for a commemorative joint meeting of Congress at the site of the original Federal Hall in New York City where the first Congress of the United States convened in 1789.

“One year later, the United States Congress and the American people still grieve over the terrible losses our nation and her people suffered on September 11th,” said Rothman, who lost 55 constituents in the terrorist attacks. “Yet we are resolved and determined, as a free, proud, and united country, to bring to justice all those responsible and to prevent future harm from any quarter.”

Upon arriving in New York City from Washington, DC, Members of Congress proceeded to Federal Hall where they held a one hour commemorative meeting to remember the events of September 11th followed by a lunch with New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg at a nearby hotel. Rothman then visited Ground Zero where he placed a small American flag below a wreath that was laid by Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert, House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt, Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, and Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott.

Today’s meeting was the second such commemorative joint session held outside of Washington, DC since the Congress was moved to its current location. The first special joint session was held in Philadelphia in 1976 as part of the bicentennial celebrations.

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