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**Community Education Council District 31 Resolution
Calling for a Mandated Acknowledgement and Memorialization of 9/11
in our Staten Island Schools**

Approved at the March 4th 2024 CEC31 Calendar Meeting
by a roll call vote of all members present (11 in favor, 0 opposed)

WHEREAS, the attacks of September 11, 2001, marked the deadliest terrorist attack on American soil in United States history, claiming 2,997 lives in the span of only a few short hours, and countless others due to injury and illness in the following decades; and

WHEREAS, the events of 9/11 left an enduring imprint on our nation's history, and our commitment to 'never forget' as a Borough of New York City remains resolute; and

WHEREAS, the first generation of Americans born following September 11, 2001, are reaching adulthood, yet only 14 States require America's youth be educated on the events of this fateful day; and

WHEREAS, despite memorials and tributes, many schools lack 9/11 education and this tragic day is a part of the history of all future generations; and

WHEREAS, all students across New York City should be provided education about the events of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, New York State law, signed by Gov. Andrew Cuomo allows for a brief moment of silence in public schools in New York every 9/11 to memorialize the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, in memory of all those who perished during these attacks and those who continue to perish because of their efforts on this day, we must uphold our commitment to honoring their sacrifice by ensuring that this fundamental part of the American story not be lost to future generations; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all of our District schools be required to follow New York State Law in honoring the victims of 9/11 by observing moments of silence on the day each year commemorating the attacks; and be it further

RESOLVED, that as 9/11 has been memorialized as a National Day of Service and Remembrance, CEC31 supports the student led governments of our District Schools engaging their school community in acts of community service to honor all those who have fallen; and be it further



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RESOLVED, that Staten Island schools supports an opt-in District wide offering of the free on-site and/or virtual field trips to the 9/11 Memorial Museum for students grades 3-8 yearly; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Community Education Council of District 31 (CEC31) believes the events of the September 11th terrorist attacks should be recognized throughout the month of September in our District elementary and secondary schools guided by age-appropriate language and content

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