

# **STATEMENT BY MAYOR MICHAEL R. BLOOMBERG ON CEREMONY MARKING END OF THE RECOVERY AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTER SITE**

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The recovery effort at the World Trade Center site has made us all proud. Under the most emotionally grueling of circumstances, firefighters, police officers and paramedics have honored our fallen heroes through the grace and dignity by which they sought to find them. Working by their side day and night, construction workers completed the removal of debris at a fraction of the cost and in half of the time originally estimated. I am so grateful that this was accomplished without the loss of even one more life.

Almost nine months have passed since a barbaric attack changed us forever. Soon, we will begin the process of planning how we will memorialize and how we will rebuild. In doing so, we will chart the future of our indomitable City. But today is a day to remember those we lost and honor those who worked so hard and wanted so badly to bring all of them home.

Source: The City of New York

[http://www.nyc.gov/portal/site/nycgov/menuitem.b270a4a1d51bb3017bce0ed101c789a0/index.jsp?pageID=nyc\\_blue\\_room&catID=1194&doc\\_name=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.nyc.gov%2Fhtml%2Fom%2Fhtml%2F2002a%2Fpr130-02.html&cc=unused1978&rc=1194&ndi=1](http://www.nyc.gov/portal/site/nycgov/menuitem.b270a4a1d51bb3017bce0ed101c789a0/index.jsp?pageID=nyc_blue_room&catID=1194&doc_name=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.nyc.gov%2Fhtml%2Fom%2Fhtml%2F2002a%2Fpr130-02.html&cc=unused1978&rc=1194&ndi=1)