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**MAYOR BLOOMBERG ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF “THE DAILY SHOW” HOST
JON STEWART TO THE NATIONAL SEPTEMBER 11 MEMORIAL & MUSEUM BOARD OF
DIRECTORS**

**Stewart Joins Board Chaired by Bloomberg and Comprised of Victims’ Family Members, 9/11
Survivors, Philanthropists and Business Leaders**

9/11 Memorial Board Chair Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg and 9/11 Memorial President Joe Daniels today announced the appointment of “The Daily Show” host Jon Stewart to the Board of Directors of the National September 11 Memorial & Museum at the World Trade Center.

Stewart was appointed today during the board’s quarterly meeting. As host of the Emmy-award winning “The Daily Show” on Comedy Central, Stewart has long been a voice on 9/11-related matters as well as interviewed a wide-ranging list of newsmakers, celebrities, social icons and heads of state.

Stewart, a resident of lower Manhattan, has been a vocal supporter of the National September 11 Memorial & Museum and New York City’s and the nation’s recovery from the 9/11 tragedy, including the respondents health bill. In early September 2010, Bloomberg hosted Stewart at the Memorial and Museum’s annual benefit dinner in lower Manhattan, where Stewart served as master of ceremonies.

“Jon loves New York as much as I do, and as a resident of Lower Manhattan, he understands how important the Memorial and Museum are both to the City and the whole country,” said Mayor Bloomberg. “He’s been a great supporter of the foundation and we’re glad he’ll now play an even larger role in ensuring its success.”

“Jon Stewart is an incredibly important figure in today’s news media, but he’s also a New Yorker who felt—as we all did—the world change in a matter of minutes on September 11.” 9/11 Memorial President Joe Daniels said. “Since then, he has taken a definitive stance on so many issues that relate directly to our organization’s mission of commemoration and education. We’re honored to welcome him to our Board of Directors.”

Days after the 2001 attacks, Stewart had a memorable TV moment, mixing measured wit with emotional commentary in the opening of his show. In recent months, he gained national attention and praise for his passionate work in dedicating a broadcast to the 9/11 health bill, which President Obama signed into law earlier this month.

Stewart began hosting “The Daily Show” in 1999. Since his arrival, the satire news show has received 36 Emmy Award nominations and won 14 times. Stewart, who is executive producer and writer as well as host, received five Emmy nominations from 2002 to 2008. The show was honored in 2004 by the Television Critics Association by winning Outstanding Achievement in News and Information, edging out traditional news shows in the category.

The Board of Directors include victims’ family members, 9/11 survivors, business leaders and leading philanthropists. Stewart joins other board members who have a life in media and entertainment, including Robert De Niro, Billy Crystal and Jane Rosenthal.

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For a complete list of the Board of Directors, visit:
www.national911memorial.org

ABOUT THE NATIONAL SEPTEMBER 11 MEMORIAL & MUSEUM

The National September 11 Memorial & Museum is the not-for-profit corporation created to oversee the design, raise the funds, and program and operate the Memorial & Museum at the World Trade Center site. The Memorial & Museum will be located on eight of the 16 acres of the site.

The Memorial will remember and honor the nearly 3,000 people who died in the horrific attacks of February 26, 1993, and September 11, 2001. The design, created by Michael Arad and Peter Walker, consists of two pools formed in the footprints of the original Twin Towers and a plaza of trees.

The Museum will display monumental artifacts linked to the events of September 11, while presenting intimate stories of loss, compassion, reckoning and recovery that are central to telling the story of the 2001 attacks and the aftermath. It will communicate key messages that embrace both the specificity and the universal implications of the events of 9/11; document the impact of those events on individual lives, as well as on local, national, and international communities; and explore the continuing significance of these events for our global community.

For more information and to make a donation, visit the 9/11 Memorial's Web site:
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