

Resolution # 17

National September 11 Memorial and Museum

WHEREAS, last week was the 24th Anniversary of the terrorist attacks on 9/11; and

WHEREAS, on that memorable morning and in the days, weeks and months that followed, over 3,500 New York City Transit Workers responded to the Attack on America and joined the rescue and recovery effort at Ground Zero in New York City; and

WHEREAS, at the World Trade Center site TWU members performed critical services including removal of vehicles and debris, restoring communications, providing lighting, cutting steel beams, and securing MTA facilities; and

WHEREAS, the National September 11th Memorial and Museum, after extensive lobbying, has now seen fit to recognize this work by placing items carried by 9/11 TWU transit responders in the Museum's permanent collection;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the TWU International has an interest in a continuing partnership with the Museum, so that the general public, going forward, understands the contributions made by transit workers on 9/11 and its aftermath; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the TWU International will continue to advocate for increased recognition of transit workers in the Memorial and Museum if it transitions, as expected, to federal control as a part of the National Parks Service.