

## CASTLE ISSUES STATEMENT ON EVE OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 ANNIVERSARY -- September 10, 2008

Washington, D.C. -- Delaware Congressman Mike Castle issued the following statement in regards to Patriot Day, the anniversary of September 11, 2001.

"On September 11, 2001, we experienced the unthinkable and emerged with determination and purpose," Rep. Mike Castle said. "Since then, destructive events like Hurricane Katrina have underscored the importance of improving our ability to prevent, prepare for, and respond to disasters. Here in Delaware, I have long been impressed by our ability to come together in times of need, and it is vital that this level of communication and effectiveness be replicated throughout the country. It is critical that we work together to provide our soldiers, firefighters, police officers, and emergency personnel with the resources and equipment they need to get the job done. As we commemorate the innocent victims of September 11th, we as a nation must find a renewed spirit of cooperation to prevent such unthinkable tragedy from happening again."

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