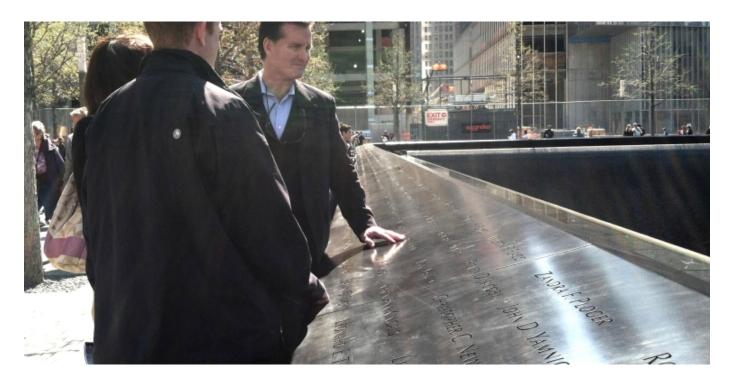


Senator Flanagan Pays Respects At 9/11 Memorial Site

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Senator John Flanagan (2nd Senate District) recently joined Jay Weinkam of the National September 11 Memorial & Museum for a tour of the site in lower Manhattan. The memorial and the museum are dedicated to the nearly 3,000 people who were killed in the terror attacks of 9/11 as well as the six people who were killed in the 1993 bombing at the World Trade Center.

During the visit, Senator Flanagan viewed the two enormous reflecting pools that stand within the footprints where the Twin Towers once stood. The reflecting pools are each

nearly an acre in size and feature the largest manmade waterfalls in the North America. The names of every person who was killed in both the 2001 and 1993 attacks are inscribed on bronze panels edging the pools.

During his visit to the site, Senator Flanagan also had the opportunity to learn more about the National September 11 Memorial Museum, which is currently under construction. When opened, the museum will chronicle the events of 9/11 and include artifacts that are intended to provide future generations with a visual lesson of the history of the site. The main feature of the museum will be an interactive display devoted to the stories of the victims of both attacks. There will also be a dedicated exhibition called "In Memoriam," which will commemorate the lives of the victims of the attacks.

"This site will serve as a tribute to all who were lost and a great reminder of the spirit of our nation. All of us remember September 11th, 2001, from our own point of view and have images that will forever be etched in our minds. This site will allow us to share those memories with other New Yorkers and Americans in much the same spirit that we stood together in the days and weeks that followed the terrorist attacks. That will help keep the spirit of those who perished alive and enable our entire nation to always remember," stated Senator Flanagan.

Anyone interested in visiting the 9/11 Memorial site should visit http://www.911memorial.org for further information. Please click here to view a video about the memorial.