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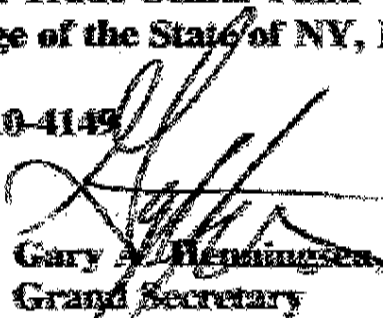
**NEWS RELEASE**

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**SEPTEMBER 13, 2001**

**Carl J. Smith, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, announced today that the Grand Lodge in conjunction with the Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Home have contributed One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars to a fund to be used exclusively to aid and assist the families of the members of the New York City Police Department, New York City Fire Department, EMS Personnel and employees of the Port Authority of the State of New York and New Jersey who lost their lives in the attack upon the New York World Trade Center. Grand Master Smith urges all Masons in the State of New York, as well as Masons throughout the United States to add to this fund by their personal contributions. The contributions should be sent to:**

**Grand Lodge World Trade Center Fund  
c/o The Grand Lodge of the State of NY, F.&A.M.  
71 West 23rd Street  
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