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September 11th Memorial Banner Visits the Old State House

City of Hartford officials, local emergency response workers and residents will gather at the Old State House today to write messages on a "We Are The People" banner which is making its way across the United States to memorialize victims of the September 11 attacks.

The 40' x 60' banner, which features a black-and-white photo of the World Trade Center towers shot in October 2000 by award-winning photographer Michael Joseph is being taken across the country and will be part of September 11 Observance Ceremonies in New York tomorrow. The banner has visited 48 states and contains more than 18,000 names and messages of freedom. It is anticipated that the important artifact will be donated to the Smithsonian Museum later this month. Photographer, Michael Joseph, is petitioning to have the image entitled "In God We Trust" to be elected a United States postal stamp.

The Old State House is proud to perform its 350 year tradition of being a gathering place where the people of Hartford and Connecticut can participate in celebrating and renewing America's democratic heritage. The Old State House Association is a private, non-profit organization which presents a wide variety of educational programs, exhibitions and special events. The Old State House's Internet site is www.ctosh.org.

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