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To Whom It May Concern:

I want to take the opportunity to introduce you to a 9/11 Memorial project we were privileged to participate in here in Minneapolis. Fine arts artist Michael Joseph is travelling the country to have people place their thoughts and messages on a memorial banner to be delivered to the people of New York on 9/11. It is hoped that one day this banner will be donated to the Smithsonian Institute. Michael Joseph and Paige Obrig were very professional and their project is a tribute to the heroes of New York City and Washington D.C. Their banner was displayed in the Minneapolis City Hall on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Fire and Police personnel along with many others passing through enjoyed the display.

Sincerely,

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