

December 8, 2007

*Flight 93 Memorial
Union City, California*

I am deeply honored to send my greetings to all of you gathered in Union City for the dedication of the Flight 93 Memorial.

As you know, many of the heroes of that flight lived or worked in California, and this memorial is a poignant and important tribute to their memories. The stones mark not only the unfinished lives of the passengers of Flight 93, but also the astonishing heroism that emerged in the sky over Pennsylvania.

The brave men and women aboard Flight 93 sacrificed their lives to save countless others. Their story continues to inspire and galvanize the nation, and their actions will be enshrined in our hearts forever.

On behalf of all Californians, I thank Michael Emerson and all of the many dedicated individuals whose hard work made this memorial possible. Their devoted efforts have admirably commemorated the courage and selflessness of those aboard Flight 93.

I also offer my deepest condolences to the families and friends who lost a loved one that tragic day. I know that time does little to ease your grief, but I wish you peace and strength to help you carry their memory with you always.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arnold Schwarzenegger". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Arnold" being particularly prominent and stylized.

Arnold Schwarzenegger