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**Colleton County Fire-Rescue to mark the Ten-Year Anniversary of the  
September 11 Terrorist Attacks with Remembrance Ceremony**

Walterboro, SC, 09-01-2011 ... Colleton County Fire-Rescue will join fire departments across the country in conducting a remembrance ceremony on September 11, 2011, to commemorate the ten-year anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks and the subsequent losses suffered at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and in Pennsylvania.

Colleton County Fire-Rescue's ceremony will be part of a nationwide salute to fallen firefighters, law enforcement, emergency medical services personnel and civilians alike – and to the extraordinary response of the entire American fire service to the tragic events that have changed all of our lives.

The event will be coordinated to occur at the exact moment the World Trade Center events occurred and will be marked by two series of bell chimes, one for each of the towers whose collapse took so many lives at 9:59 a.m. EDT and 10:28 a.m. EDT respectively.

"We all recognize the great losses suffered on September 11, and we wanted to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice on that terrible day in September ten years ago," said Colleton County Fire-Rescue Chief Barry McRoy. "We owe all of them a debt of gratitude."

Each department has been encouraged to mark the occasion in its own way. Colleton County Fire-Rescue's ceremony will include:

- Lowering the station flag to half mast for the duration of the ceremony
- Tolling of the Bell Ceremony – timed to coincide with the precise times each of the twin towers collapse.
- Reading the names of each of the 343 fire fighters from FDNY who died September 11

- The Firefighters' Prayer will be recited
- Colleton County Fire-Rescue has invited local leaders and members of the local community to participate in the remembrance plans as a way of providing them the opportunity to remember the lives lost on September 11.

The ceremony will begin promptly at 9:55 a.m. at Colleton County Fire-Rescue's Station 19 which is located at 1118 Thunderbolt Drive, Walterboro, S.C. It will last approximately 35 minutes.