August 26, 2020

Honorable Joe Biden  
Biden for President Campaign  
c/o Carmel Martin

Dear Vice President Biden:

On behalf of many members of the 9/11 community throughout the United States and the national nonprofit 9/11 Day, we are writing to request that your campaign for U.S. president observe the traditional one-day moratorium on typical campaign-related activities in observance of “9/11 Day,” the federally-recognized September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance.

We respectfully request that you instruct your campaign staff, on this one sacred day, to voluntarily suspend political advertising, as well as campaign- or partisan-related appearances and social and traditional media activities on September 11, 2020, in favor of nonpartisan expressions of service, remembrance, unity and prayer.

We ask you to respect this moratorium in tribute to the 9/11 victims, first responders, recovery workers, volunteers, and members of our military who rose in service in defense of our nation.

Please share with us, via an emailed response to this letter, confirmation that your campaign plans to support this solemn tradition.

This traditional 9/11 Campaign Moratorium, originally established in 2004, has been supported by all major party U.S. presidential candidates since the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, as well as by many other candidates for public office at the federal, state and local levels.
As you know, in 2009, the U.S. Congress joined with the President of the United States in a bipartisan, bicameral action to officially designate September 11 as an annually recognized “National Day of Service and Remembrance.” Since then, 9/11 Day has grown to become **the nation’s largest annual day of charitable engagement**, with tens of millions of Americans participating.

For 9/11 Day this year, we are partnering with many national organizations and companies to organize what **will be the largest day of virtual volunteering in U.S. history**.

We ask you to join and support all Americans in the solemn and inspiring 9/11 Day observance. Please let us know if you need additional information about the Campaign Moratorium or this year’s virtual volunteering program.

With gratitude for your consideration,

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