RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A NEW, FULLY INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF THE EVENTS OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

WHEREAS, we agree with President Obama that "government should be transparent," that "no one is above the law," and that we must "restore science to its rightful place"; and

http://www.whitehouse.gov/the_press_office/TransparencyandOpenGovern; ment/; http://www.nytimes.com/2009/01/20/us/politics/20text-obama.html; http://www.nytimes.com/2009/01/22/us/politics/22science.html

WHEREAS, currently there is a historic lack of confidence in our elected federal officials, and without this confidence, there cannot be a healthy democratic republic; and

http://www.gallup.com/poll/149678/Americans-Express-Historic-Negativity-Toward-Government.aspx

WHEREAS, ten years later, September 11, 2001, remains a pivotal moment in US and world history, as it has been the engine that has driven the "war on terrorism," torture, preemptive illegal wars abroad, and empire building, and in the name of national security has triggered massive and unrelenting attacks on constitutional rights, such as domestic surveillance of US citizens, illegal detention of immigrants and US citizens, and an "assassination list" for specified Americans abroad; and

WHEREAS, the Family Steering Committee for the 9/11 Independent Commission is an organization of family members of the 9/11 victims who were responsible for pressuring the Bush administration to authorize the formation of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States (the 9/11 Commission); and

WHEREAS, the Family Steering Committee presented many critical facts and questions to the 9/11 Commission, but most of these questions were ignored, to the dismay of the family members; and (see From 9/11 Widows: An Open Letter to Senator Patrick Leahy at http://blog.buzzflash.com/alerts/616); http://www.911independentcommission.org/bush2162004.html; http://www.911truth.org/article.php?story=20050721082040972

WHEREAS, numerous scientific, national polls reveal that a large

percentage of Americans do not believe the official account—specifically, a Scripps Howard poll in July 2006 determined that 36% of respondents say that it was "somewhat likely" (20%) or "very likely" (16%) that *"federal officials either participated in the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon or took no action to stop them,"* so that the United States could go to war in the Middle East, and a Scripts Howard poll, in November 2007, determined that 62% of respondents believe it "very likely" (32%) or "somewhat likely" (30%) "that some people in the federal government had *specific warnings of the 9/11 attacks in New York and Washington, but chose to ignore those warnings";* and

WHEREAS, the 9/11 Commission chairmen have themselves stated that they were "set up to fail" in their investigation by limitations placed on them by the White House, and because they were lied to by NORAD about the unprecedented air defense failure on 9/11; and (see Kean and Hamilton, *Without Precedent: The Inside Story of the 9/11 Commission);*

http://www.yourbbsucks.com/forum/showpost.php?p=94247&postcount=1; http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Criticism_of_the_9/11_Commission

WHEREAS, among many other criticisms, the 9/11 Commission was plagued by conflicts of interest, one of these being the appointment of the 9/11 Commission Director Philip Zelikow, a Bush administration insider and close associate of Condoleezza Rice; and http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Criticism of the 9/11 Commission

WHEREAS, under Zelikow's leadership, the most disturbing evidence pointing to official complicity was not addressed by the 9/11 Commission; and

WHEREAS, "Zelikow had prepared a detailed outline of the commission's final report at the very start of the investigation," a document that he agreed should be "treated as if it were the most classified document the commission possessed"; and

(see Philip Shenon, *The Commission: The Uncensored History of the 9/11 Commission*, pp. 388-389);

http://911blogger.com/node/17904;

Kean and Hamilton, *Without Precedent: The Inside Story of the 9/11 Commission;*

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Criticism_of_the_9/11_Commission

WHEREAS, among many other criticisms, more than one quarter of all footnotes in the Commission's Report were based on information obtained from tortured prisoners; and

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WHEREAS, many professional organizations have been formed that call for a truly independent investigation into the events of 9/11, as do hundreds of notable people, which include senior military, intelligence service, law enforcement, and government officials, pilots and aviation professionals, 9/11 survivors and family members, medical professionals, and over 1,600 architects and engineers; and

http://patriotsquestion911.com/; http://ae911truth.org/

WHEREAS, some of these professional organizations have produced abundant research and peer-reviewed articles by physicists, engineers, chemists, architects, and other scholars that have proven the officially sanctioned account of 9/11 to be false in almost every significant way; and http://stj911.org/; <a href="http

WHEREAS, one example of this research by independent scientists is the discovery in four independently collected samples of World Trade Center dust of abundant quantities of iron-rich microspheres (also discovered independently by the US Geological Survey and the RJ Lee Group, an independent lab), which is evidence of thermitic activity, as well as abundant quantities of small chips of unexploded nanothermite, a high-tech incendiary and/or explosive, created only in military laboratories; and http://www.journalof911studies.com/;

http://www.benthamscience.com/open/tocpj/articles/V002/7TOCPJ.htm?TO CPJ/2009/00000002/00000001/7TOCPJ.SGM;

see *Extremely high temperatures during the World Trade Center destruction* at <u>http://www.journalof911studies.com/</u>

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST; a branch of the Department of Commerce) was charged by the George W. Bush administration with determining what caused the total collapse of the World Trade Center Twin Towers and World Trade Center Building 7 (WTC 7), and yet, they never could explain the collapse of the Trade Towers, not going beyond the point of collapse initiation; and

WHEREAS, NIST refused to disclose their computer model upon which they based their theory of collapse initiation; and

WHEREAS, NIST did not consider controlled demolition as a possible cause of the destruction of the 47-story WTC 7 (WTC 7 was not hit by a plane), even though this building fell suddenly, straight down, at free-fall acceleration for 100 feet, and landed in its own footprint—all of which are prominent characteristics of a classic controlled demolition and not characteristics of any other type of building failure; and

WHEREAS, the 9/11 Commission Report did not even mention the complete collapse of WTC 7; and (see David Ray Griffin, *The 9/11 Commission Report: Omissions and Distortions*, p. 28); <u>http://wtc7.net/</u>

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) has refused to test for explosives or pyrotechnic materials which is routine and specified by the national standard for fire investigation (National Fire Protection Association or NFPA 921); and http://www.nfpa.org/aboutthecodes/AboutTheCodes.asp?DocNum=921&co okie test=1

WHEREAS, there are many other facts not related to building failure that were either ignored or brushed off as unimportant by the 9/11 Commission, including but not limited to

Air Force jets not being scrambled to intercept the hijacked airliners, which is "Standard Operating Procedure" whenever any airliner veers off course and loses contact with the Air Control Tower—10 to 20 minutes is normal to intercept a wayward plane, but four planes crashed within 1.5 hours on September 11, 2001, with no interceptions by the US Air Force

(see David Ray Griffin, *The 9/11 Commission Report: Omissions and Distortions*, pp. 139-153)

The Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta's testimony under oath before the 9/11 Commission that he observed Vice President Cheney directing the air defense of a plane that apparently hit the Pentagon, with the reasonable inference that Cheney had ordered that plane *not* to be

shot down (see David Ray Griffin, *The 9/11 Commission Report: Omissions and Distortions* p. 220)

Reports in international media regarding the Bush administration's plans to invade Afghanistan *well before 9/11/01* (see David Ray Griffin, *9/11 Ten Years Later*, p. 6)

The Project for a New American Century document, *Rebuilding America's Defenses*, written in September 2000, detailing plans by the neoconservatives (who filled much of Bush's cabinet) to take military control of the entire Gulf region and Central Asia, including Iraq, *even if Saddam Hussein was not in power*, and calling for a "catastrophic and catalyzing event—like a new Pearl Harbor," which would mobilize the American people behind the major military buildup required by such plans

\$100,000 ordered wired to Mohammed Atta one week before 9/11 by General Ahmad, head of the Pakistan's ISI (Inter-Services Intelligence), Pakistan's Secret Service

(see David Ray Griffin, *The 9/11 Commission Report: Omissions and Distortions*, p. 220; Paul W. Rea, *Mounting Evidence*, p. 402)

The evidence for foreknowledge of the attacks from examining options trading in the 10 days prior to 9/11 that revealed that large volumes of put options were purchased for companies that would be crippled by the attacks, such as American Airlines and United Airlines, Merrill Lynch & Co., and Morgan Stanley, and conversely, that revealed that large volumes of call options were purchased for Raytheon, a company whose stock would soar in the wake of the attacks

http://stj911.org/evidence/foreknowledge.html;

(see David Ray Griffin, *The 9/11 Commission Report: Omissions and Distortions*, pp. 52-57)

Multiple warnings from the intelligence community to specific individuals not to fly on 9/11/01

(see The War on Freedom: How and Why America Was Attacked on September 11, 2001, pp. 124-126; Richard A. Clarke, Against All Enemies: Inside America's War on Terror, p. 7) The US consistently blocking and suspending attempts to investigate and capture Osama bin Laden (OBL), including a visit by a CIA agent in July 2001 to OBL when he was in a Dubai hospital

(see Nafeez Mosaddeq Ahmed, *The War on Freedom: How and Why America Was Attacked on September 11, 2001,* pp. 17, 203-214, 347; Nafeez Mosaddeq Ahmed, *The War on Truth: 9/11, Disinformation, and the Anatomy of Terrorism,* pp. 87-117)

President Bush forbidding investigations into the financial ties between the bin Laden and Bush families (see *The War on Freedom: How and Why America Was Attacked on September 11, 2001,* pp. 17, 187)

The FBI not ever listing 9/11 as one of the terrorist acts for which OBL was wanted; and

http://web.archive.org/web/20101011161759/http://www.fbi.gov/wanted/ topten/usama-bin-laden

WHEREAS, ten years later, since there is now consensus by what has become known as the "9/11 Truth Movement" on the main points which strongly argue that we have not been told the truth about these tragic attacks, Congress and the media have no reason to be confused that a new investigation is warranted and no excuse for not seriously considering the calls for a new investigation; and http://www.consensus911.org/

WHEREAS, the facts mentioned above were consciously ignored by the 9/11 Commission, and NIST conducted not a scientific but a politicized investigation,

BE IT RESOLVED, THEREFORE, that the Colorado Democratic Party calls for the establishment of a truly independent Grand Jury and public investigation with subpoena power and the power to grant immunity into these facts and other anomalies in order to find the truth of the September 11, 2001, attacks so that we can restore transparency and confidence in our institutions through legal accountability, and so that we will have a greater probability of preventing attacks of this nature in the future, as well as the resulting wars and loss of liberties.