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**VIRGINIA WAR MUSEUM TO DISPLAY ARTIFACT FROM THE 9/11 WORLD
TRADE CENTER ATTACKS**



August 22, 2016 - The Virginia War Museum is pleased to announce it recently received an artifact from the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center (WTC) complex on September 11, 2001. The mangled piece of metal (see attached), probably a portion of vehicle bumper, is one of the last artifacts to be distributed by a program administered by the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey, which operates the WTC complex.

Before the program ended in July, it had disseminated more than 2,600 artifacts to museums & other worthy organizations across the country and a variety of countries such as Brazil, China, and Germany over a period six years.

The artifact will be on display in the museum's foyer for two weeks beginning on September 2, 2016. It will subsequently be incorporated into the museum's new Global War on Terror exhibit which features uniforms & equipment used by U.S. service members in Afghanistan & Iraqi as a direct result of the attacks on 9/11 as well as those of Iraqi insurgents & Taliban fighters.

It will also be displayed for approximately one hour during a 15th anniversary commemoration of 9/11 hosted by the Newport News Fire

Department & local US Navy units on September 9 at 10 am at the Victory Arch located at 25th Street & West Avenue in downtown Newport News.

The Virginia War Museum is located at 9285 Warwick Blvd., in historic Huntington Park. For additional information, please contact me at (757) 247-8523 or via e-mail at: rhoffeditz@nnva.gov.