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## REBUILD THE TWIN TOWERS! Nothing has rewarded the jihadists more than the ongoing sight of a world landmark wiped off the face of the earth.

— Dan Taylor / Citizen of Other Nations

The world was robbed of the 21st-century Twin Towers most of us always wanted.

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**dennis peters** All Other Americans 9/12/2008  
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**Daniel Alvarez** Citizens of Other Nations 9/12/2008

**Yadira Sierra** Metro New Yorkers 9/12/2008

My heart is full with emotion as I type.... I moved from NY (Bronx) to Florida in 2002, I was there when it all happened, I think I speak for my self and new yorkers..... rebuilding the towers will definetly bring some much needed healing to our hearts. Rebuild the towers, let's let the world know our souls were shattered by a bunch of cowards on 9/11... but we are the greatest nation in the world and we are back, we are not afraid! and there will be twin towers again, GO TWIN TOWERS II!

**Wendy DeFrancesco** All Other NY & NJ Residents 9/12/2008

I remember going to the top of the Twin Towers and marvelling at the spectacular view of the city that stands for America – bring that view back for all – God bless America!

**Joseph DeFrancesco** All Other NY & NJ Residents 9/12/2008

Rebuilding should have been the only option for the start. . . Freedom Tower LOOKS nice, but it's not the same, or the thing we need.

**Dan Beyer** All Other Americans 9/12/2008

DON'T LET THE TERRORISTS WIN! REBUILD THE TOWERS!

**Tyler R \*** All Other Americans 9/12/2008

I would love to see the Twin Towers rebuilt. It wouldnt be the same to build a new building not in the same design of the old towers. Dont let the terrorists win!!

**Josh Rocha** All Other Americans 9/12/2008

we need to rebuild

**Tawana Nicolas** All Other Americans 9/12/2008

I would love to see the towers rebuilt as they were. I remember looking at them everyday from my grandmothers 16th floor apartment in Brooklyn. I'm no longer a New Yorker but I dream about seeing those Towers because I did everyday of my life for 20 years. We NEED our towers back... the Twins as they were.

**Austin Wilder** All Other Americans 9/12/2008

The Freedom Tower, while a good idea, is unfortunately not of the same magnitude as what once stood there. Building it will ultimately show the

**Timothy J Foote Jr. \*** All Other NY & NJ Residents 9/11/2008

**Arba Veizi Tsakiridis** Architects and Builders 9/11/2008

2,974 people (not including the hijackers) died in New York on September 11. I think the height of the towers should be 2,974 feet tall!! Beating Burj Dubai @ 2,684ft by 290 feet. Symbolic for each AMERICAN fatality and being the biggest tower in the world.

Since the idea of a skyscraper first came from America, the U.S. should have the tallest one today. I want to see America have the first and second tallest.

**Brian Baldwin** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

PLEASE rebuild the twin towers! We need to show the world what the U.S. is made of and rebuild what we lost. The victims would want us to rebuild them as they were. We cannot bring back those lives we lost, however, we can rebuild the towers to show the world that we will not live in fear. It would be a nice "slap in the face" to those who enjoyed watching what happened on 9-11.

**Robert Sears** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

Rebuild the twin towers! As I said 7 years ago on 9-11, lets build them 10 stories taller and better! One day I would love to take my kids to visit them as I did when I was a child. USA could have had those things up by now if we would have just rebuilt them.

**Szymon Mirek** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

We've got to put something worthy in the WTC site, and the Freedom Tower is anything but that.

**kenneth hansen** Metro New Yorkers 9/11/2008

The twin towers site leaves a hole in my heart . i grew up watching them being built, and lost several friends on 9/11. I believe we must rebuild while making sure to respect those lost.

**NJ Baldwin** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

**Jeannine Abdouh** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

i agree they should rebuild the twin towers to show everyone that we are better and stronger that they will not bring us down.....and to have the memorials so that everyone who visits pay tribute and their respect to those we have lost.....i grieve for those we have lost on that tragic day and they will be a part of my heart forever

**AJ Gago** All Other Americans 9/11/2008


Restore the skyline of New York City!

**George Volentir** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

terrorists they were successful in the attacks on our country, as the site will remain forever changed. Instead we must show everyone that while we may fall down, we will ALWAYS get back up again and stand stronger than ever. Rebuild the Twin Towers EXACTLY as they were, as they are a TRUE symbol of freedom in this great nation.

 **Gary Deel** 9/11 Families & Close Friends 9/12/2008

My uncle, Joseph Vilardo, died in the 9/11 attacks. He would want the towers back and better than ever! The people that died that day wouldn't want remorse... they would want their deaths to have STOOD FOR SOMETHING! Anything less than what they were would be a disgrace to the people of New York and those that gave their lives for our freedom. Put them back!

 **Desiree Cruz \*** All Other Americans 9/12/2008


Lets show the world that New York is strong. Build the twin towers.

 **Nicco Godinez \*** 9/11 Families & Close Friends 9/12/2008

We need to build the twin towers agian to show that we stand strong. We can't build the freedom tower its like an empty skeleton.

 **Steve Wilcox** All Other Americans 9/12/2008

Rebuild The Twin Towers! They donâ€™t belong in history ! They belong in the Present! The New Twin Towers will show new generations of people in person what the original twin towers were once like.

 **Julie Samuel \*** All Other Americans 9/12/2008

I have nothing against the architects or even the design of the new freedom tower. All the new towers look nice and I'm sure would make great office buildings. But after such a tragedy and the loss of one of America's greatest symbols, the freedom tower just doesnt cut it. Honestly I think we as a country deserve more. We need something bolder, something that slaps the terrorists in the face, and I think rebuilding stronger, taller, better twin towers would be the greatest thing we could ever do.

 **Jason Ranney** Our Armed Forces & Families 9/12/2008

 **Matthias Konrad** Citizens of Other Nations 9/11/2008

 **Anthony Romano** All Other NY & NJ Residents 9/11/2008

I've been saying this from the start. Rebuilding the Twin Towers is the only logical and emotional answer. If we really intend to show the world our strength, then we need to ditch the current plan, which is simply 21st century eye candy and self indulgent bravado. And the fact that they want to charge admission to the memorial is a disgrace. This abomination should be filed where it belongs: the city dump! Bring Back The Towers!!

 **jessica meyer** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

 **Chris Hart** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

The original Twin Towers were more than just buildings. They were a macrocosm of all that makes our country unique, and a symbol of the enduring American spirit. The Twin Towers need to be rebuilt to stand bigger and taller than ever before. Anything less is simply unacceptable.

 **Christopher Spohn** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

We must learn from the mistakes me made in the past and build a new World Trade Center. Making it stronger and able to withstand terrorist attacks.

 **Cory Harrison** Our Armed Forces & Families 9/11/2008

This what america needs to do to show that the people of this great country have noot given up, and have not succumbed to fear. I hope to once again view the skyline of NY, and see those towers representing Americas drive to overcome adversity, and that we will prevail.

 **Carl St-Denis** Citizens of Other Nations 9/11/2008

Why not replace the Eiffel Tower or the Taj Mahal with some unpopular modern building of average taste. This icon cannot be replaced with so little consideration.

 **Christopher Civali** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

Please build them. They would be a glorious tribute to all who lost their lives on 9/11. Restore the skyline of New York City!

 **Patricia & Robert Kosmoski** All Other NY & NJ Residents 9/11/2008


As a former NYC couple, and friends who greive along with many others, we truly want to bring back what was our city's glory...the Twin Towers!! We believe in going forward and not looking back, not allowing the terrorists to claim what is ours, they shall never have our city!! Never shall they have our hearts, minds or our souls and least of all our homes and the things we treasure, our freedoms. God bless everyone who continues to sign this petition to reconstruct the Twin Towers, AMEN!

 **Kevin Burkhart** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

There wouldn't be a greater tribute to the victims or a better way to bring America back from tragedy than to rebuild the twin towers stronger and higher than they ever were before. It would show the world that we as a nation can triumph over tragedy and we will always move forward and rebuild. The new towers will send a clear message to the terrorists that America is strong and can't be brought down. Please rebuild the twin towers!!

 **Mark Klein** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

Many lost friends, family, or loved ones that day. As for those of us who were not struck with the same loss we still felt a great pain. It is a day that will always be remembered in my life and I am sure others' as well. Rebuilding the Twin Towers would be an outstanding memorial and would stand for much more. Its a symbol of our unity, pain, and shows that we are not afraid. I support the rebuilding of these buildings that have a place in history and America's heart.

 **chris bristow** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

the current "freedom" tower is a terrible stucture. it will only serve as a current reminder of our fear.

 **Louis Loghry II** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

When I joined the Navy one of the places Ive always wanted to go to was the Twin Towers. But thanks to the cowards that destroyed them Im SOL. I say rebuild them as they were before but a little bit taller. Now that Im stationed in VA on a carrier I hope to enjoy the site of NY with the twins.

 **Robert Conry** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

I believe rebuilding the Twin Towers and WTC complex is a great way to show Americaâ€™s strength and ability to over come. This in my opinion is better symbol of our freedom the Freedom Tower. Also, if acceptable to the families of the victims to this tragic event, the memorials planned on the footprints of the previous towers would be an honorable tribute. Memorials paying tribute to Americans who lost their lives in the name of freedom should not be required to charge a fee to cover costs.

 **John Haddock** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

REBUILD the twin tower buildings! It would show the world that we are strong and can get through a tragedy like this.

 **Chris Saunders** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

 **sal esposito** Metro New Yorkers 9/11/2008

The twin towers of the WTC were not just buildings to me but a symbol of solidarity, stability, innovation and most of all of home. I grew up watching the towers rise from across the river and I never shed my sense of wonder at their power and greatness. As I grew older they were always welcoming like an old friend greeting you and letting you know you were back in that place where you belonged. When my first son was born his bedroom window looked out onto the river and the towers loomed brig

 **Ray Juden** Citizens of Other Nations 9/11/2008


As an appreciator and admirer of New York City and its people, I feel very strongly that the towers should return - a testament to the courage, spirit and heroism that ultimately prevailed on that tragic day. I was not in any way involved in the disaster, but I was deeply moved, and my thoughts and well wishes are with all the families and friends of those who lost

With all due respect to the Freedom Tower designers and those who organized that planning, the Freedom Tower is not New York. It is not a symbol just because it has 'freedom' in its name. Build a symbol; build two. Please rebuild the towers; the country will be behind that effort. Do the right thing.

Thank You

their lives.

Many of you have found the strength to stand tall – let New York once again do so.

 **Angela Faye Brown** All Other Americans 9/11/2008  
I appreciate this effort. The idea of the towers being rebuilt lifts my spirit. Thank you.

 **Rick Rutherford \*** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

 **Andrew Yazolino** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

 **Joseph Naham** Metro New Yorkers 9/11/2008

 **peter celeste** Our Armed Forces & Families 9/11/2008

 **Martha Wiant** All Other Americans 9/11/2008

In "The Social Contract" Rousseau writes: "but [men can] only unite and direct existing ones [forces], they have no other means of preserving themselves than the formation, by aggregation, of a sum of forces great enough to overcome the resistance... This sum of forces can arise only where several persons come together: but, as the force and liberty." Only united can we stand against a common foe; let the towers stand to remind us of those who fell, those who serve, and our commitment to liberty.

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