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

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#### Thomas DiBenedetto All Other NY & NJ 2/11/2009

As I walked over the 59th street bridge leaving Manhattan on 9/11/01 I looked at the smoke that was the World Trade Center and thought we'll be determined & rebuild. The thought of not putting them back up is unimaginable to me.

Don't let them take away our famous skyline! Then they really have made a difference besides taking all of those lives. We must do this to show they haven't won. Rebuild the Twin Towers!

# Tyler Spence \* All Other Americans

I love the twin towers. If we rebuild them we are honoring the fallen that died that day. Trust me, those people that died would have wanted those twin towers to be rebuilt for their city. Making new buildings would be disrespectful to the brave that have fallen. Rebuilding would also show the terrorists that we will not let them win the war on terror. WE ARE STRONGER! GOD BLESS AMERICA and god bless all of the families of the victims on that horrible Tuesday

#### Shawn Baird All Other Americans 2/10/2009

I fully support this great effort to rebuild our country and restore american greatness. I can't think of a more powerful and stoic symbol. Do not let this effort ao silent!

# Richard McPeek All Other NY & NJ

The World Trade Center IS one of the biggest and greatest landmarks in New York and in United States history.

The Port Authority is stupid for trying to reshape Manhattan's famous skyline with something so pointless as the Freedom Tower, or as "THEIR" so called One World Trade Center, which is a huge slap in the face to the Twin Towers, for frauding the North Tower's original name.

Jason Bernardes Metro New Yorkers 2/10/2009 REBUILD THE TWIN TOWERS, BUT STRONGER & TALLER THAN BEFORE! RESTORE MANHATTAN'S SKYLINE TO ITS RIGHTFUL HONOR & PROVE TO THE TERRORISTS THAT THEY CAN NEVER BREAK THE AMERICAN SPIRIT!

Jonathan Mahfouz All Other Americans As a proud American, and a future service member, it is a shame that we have not already rebuilt these symbols of freedom. These iconic towers stood in the New York skyline for 30 years. In essence we have let

### Mario Rossi \* Citizens of Other Nations

It's necessary to rebuild the Twin Towers again because the Twin Towers are New York and the America.

God bless the Twin Towers.

## Regina Cass All Other Americans

I am concerned, that "America" has lost something. Something that was there in the beginning of this great nation. Did we let it slip away, while chasing false dreams? We are Americans. I would not want to live in any other country but America. Let's all find what we have lost, and bring it on with a Passion.

# Nicholas Sfakianos \* All Other NY & NJ

I think the current plan is CRIMINAL because it is robbing not only the people of New York, but the people of the United States of America of that signature of our country's success. To all of you Government officials who we elected freely to office should start standing for what we elected for in the first place. Enough with wasting our taxpayer money on a flawed and hideous design. It's time you put your political agendas aside and start working for the people. REBUILD THE TWIN TOWERS!

#### T. Rossa All Other NY & NJ Residents 1/31/2009

Mario Trotta All Other Americans

I am Mario Trotta and I'm from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. We must rebuild the twin towers for a new rebirth of defiance and bold spirit that sends a message around the world. This is our chance, I can remember going to New York City and seeing them. The Freedom Tower does not represent our pride of the American Spirit. It is a disgrace to the American People and very disrespectful to many 9/11 families. Some officals are out of touch with America. Defend America and Rebuild the Towers!!

#### Christian Senah \* All Other Americans 1/31/2009 The Twin Towers should be rebuilt 4 reasons

- 1. They rebuilt WTC 7
- 2. They rebuilt the part of the pentagon that got attacked
- 3. Donald Trump says its disgusting
- 4. 93% of us want the twins back and only 7% want the Freedom Tower
- ioseph maneri \* NYC's Finest & Families 1/31/2009
- dave rosenberg All Other NY & NJ 1/31/2009

them win, they destroyed something that stood as a symbol of America, they destroyed them, and we're too complacent to rebuild them. I believe Donald Trump has the best idea, rebuild them, but one floor taller.

Michael Chiaia Our Armed Forces & Families 2/9/2009 I'm contributing to the fight against terrorism abroad but we can not possibly win without an unconditional victory at home. Stepping up airport security, an increased defense budget, and the creation of the Dept. of Homeland Security are steps in the right direction. The final bayonet thrust of the war at home is the rebuilding of the Twin Towers EXACTLY as they once stood. Doing anything else disgraces the American dead and insults their families. Don't let the terrorists succeed.

# Dan Yaeger Metro New Yorkers Rebuild the Twin Towers. Any other project for that

land mass in Lower Manhattan is unacceptable and will waste space and money for the next century. Do the right thing, rebuild the towers for the next generation to know what we stood for.

The Lauesens All Other Americans

I really never heard of the twin towers until 9/11. I think it's a GREAT idea to rebuild it. get as many people as you can!!!

Chuck Wessel All Other Americans 2/6/2009 From the beginning of the aftermath I have felt that the bravest thing, the greatest thing, would be to rebuild the towers exactly as they were in their iconic greatness — perhaps even a bit taller. Only now years later, saddened that nothing has happened, yet hopeful now that President Obama has taken office I went online to search for an organized effort to accomplish this. I hope this is something that gets serious consideration — and soon.

Peter Checkie All Other Americans 2/6/2009 PLEASE REBUILD-WTCIIII

Matt Kroening All Other Americans

It isn't too late, we all know it. The freedom tower is nothing but a huge white flag, a symbol of defeat. Not to mention it'll only make our economy worse. It's so costly just to keep the current plan running, there would be an admission fee just to get into the mermorial! We don't wanna pay for freedom do we? REBUILD THE TWIN TOWERS! NOTHING ELSE WILL

Beverly Squires All Other NY & NJ Residents 2/6/2009 I can't believe I found this site! This was my fierce belief on that terrible day - that they should be put right back up! Not only do they belong there, they'd be two extended middle fingers to those who thought they could bring America down with the Towers. Every other design I've seen has been a hideous atrocity. I worked in Lower Manhattan as they were going up, friends and family members worked there and/or were first responders. NY deserves to have its Twin Towers BACK!

TTA Note: The opponents of new Twin Towers have used disinformation, misinformation, and above all, NON-information to enforce their agenda. The most defining tragedy in our lives has been hijacked by an arrogant, self-serving few. The term "un-American" gets used much too much, but it is so correct here.

Arthur Okere All Other Americans

The twin towers should be rebuilt to send a message to our enemies that we are not shaken or intimidated by their doctrine of hate. The towers are also symbols of New York and America, anything else would never look right in NYC.

Chrys Heard All Other Americans 2/5/2009

Sean Milburn Citizens of Other Nations 2/5/2009 Bring Back the twin towers, dont settle for anything

Henry Rivas All Other Americans 2/5/2009

Stephanie Cochran All Other Americans I strongly feel that the Twin Towers should be re-built. I have never been to Manhattan but I know the

# Brandon Lowsley All Other NY & NJ

1/31/2009

I was on the fence about this issue until I saw Ward last night. To call the Twin Towers nothing more than Real Estate was low and offensive and I've had enough! He slithered his way out of answering the demands of 9/11 families and the NYFD/PD. I'm now sickened by their plan and what it 'stands' for. 20 or 30 years from now we'll look at the once mighty Twins in photos etc. and go "why didn't we just rebuild"? I'm 100% behind you guys now!

#### Robert Culver \* All Other NY & NJ 1/31/2009

Why was it the Towers they wanted destroyed? The answer is obvious. They stood as a symbol of American principals, culture and achievements. So why is it so difficult for us to defy these murderous thieves and put those Towers right back up again? As an American patriot there is no other option and no better response. In your face Al-Qaida!!! RESTORE OUR MAGNIFICENT SKYLINE for all the world to see!!! Take pride in our heritage and our accomplishments. Let no one take them from US.

1/31/2009 Marc LaBrecque NYC's Bravest & Families

Maria Torroella All Other Americans 1/30/2009 Rebuild WTC!!

Patrick Jones \* All Other Americans 1/30/2009 We rebuilt Europe's Historic Buildings after WWII. Why shouldn't we rebuild our own?

We know the Eiffel Tower or the Tower of London would be rebuilt under similar circumstances. The Junk Design of the Freedom Tower is an insult.

The American Spirit means resiliency in the face of adversity. The Twin Towers symbolize our Strength and Leadership in the World we've lost in recent

We deserve the same treatment that Europe and other countries get when their Landmarks are destroyed.

- Richard Gonzalez \* All Other Americans Rebuilding the twin towers would not only show that America can't be destroyed but it would also heal the wound in our national heart.
- Demetrius Gibson All Other Americans With all that we've been through in the last 8 years it's time we, as Americans, do the right thing. Let's rebuild the Twin Towers and not a replacement
- 1/30/2009 Connor Henzel All Other Americans The freedom tower does not do justness to America. The towers were internationally known symbols, and they shall remain so!

Gary Waters All Other Americans Please rebuild the Twin Towers, the Freedom tower is a hideous joke and a symbol of corrupt leadership.

## Matt Z \* All Other Americans

I think these towers should be rebuilt, since they were and should always be the center of NYV skyline. I think that by building another type of structure aka the "Freedom Tower", you will not only be depriving NYC from having its glorious skyline, but you will also take away NYC international symbol. Please do not build the freedom tower, and rebuild the twin towers bigger, and safer, that ever before.

1/30/2009 rvan mc Citizens of Other Nations The towers always stood gracefully looking over manhattan. These towers stood for something. They were symbolic and deserve to be rebuilt. We need to act fast and insure that the freedom tower design will not go ahead.

Matt Franzblau All Other NY & NJ Residents 1/29/2009 We need to rebuild bigger and better. When someone dies it is impossible to bring them back to life, but we are given a unique opportunity to do just that in this case, bring the Twin Towers back to life instead of being haunted by their absence.

towers were a strong symbol of America. You would see them in movies, magazines, etc. But now, nothing, and it looks so weird. All of the unfortunate victims that were taken from us that day would want the same. Build the towers, show your pride!!!!

Me should be rebuilding them each with at least 5 extra floors. However, it may be too late... what a shame!

Dominick K. Metro New Yorkers 2/3/20

"Just real estate" my a\*\*!

How is it allowed that so few people can be so dismissive of what so many want?

God I want my twin towers back. I was a child in the late 1970s. And a teenager in the 1980s. I grew up with the twin towers. I loved them. My heart broke on 9/11. And my heart still aches not seeing those buildlings today. I saw the interview of Chris Ward on 1600. Where is his courage? His Honor for those who died there? He's a coward. Allowing Bin Laden and Al Qaeda to dictate what is built in NY. Bring back my twin towers. Heal my heart. If the FT is built my heart will forever be broken.

Shannon Stewart All Other Americans 2/2/2009
The first idea for rebuilding that's made sense to me.

Samuel Elijah \* All Other Americans 2/2/2009

Tom Petrie \* All Other Americans 2/2/2009
The right thing to do is rebuild the Twin Towers.

ramon bonachea \* Metro New Yorkers 1/29/2009
definately rebuild the towers. it does look like a Giant needle. it just shows a troubling case and trend of expediantcy mediocracy which has infected this country.

Greg Hagen All Other Americans 1/29/2009

The Towers need to be rebuilt to deprive the terrorists and all other holders of their mindset of a tangible legacy of loss.

God will work with the human loss according to his plan, but it is up to the citizens of the United states; the target, to bring-about the myriad untold benifits that 'complete' rebuilding will bring.

Our country still owns the accomplishments of our past-realized dreams . Since this loss is one shared by living and dead alike, claiming that ownership is now our duty.

joey sobers All Other NY & NJ Residents 1/29/2009

Wing Casiano \* 9/11 Survivors & Families 1/29/2009
I can't believe there was no public debate about the WTC Site. Behind closed doors former Governor George Pataki allow Libeskind to build his horrible plan for the WTC Site. After the police got involved they chose the current plan that is being implemented. I am astonished that these politicians don't listen to the victims or the citizens in regards to the rebuilding of the Twin Towers. What better way to say "F-You" to the terrorists by rebuilding the Twin Towers again? God bless America.

\*\* Grant Lagerhausen \* All Other Americans 1/29/2009

There is no question. There is no other design that should be built as the focal point of the site then the Twin Towers. One large tower surrounded by smaller ones just doesn't seem right. Stronger, Taller!

David Voros Citizens of Other Nations 1/29/2009
Rebuild the Twin Towers!
I wanna see them again!

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