

Jones recognizes anniversary of 9-11

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones remembered the 12th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States last Wednesday with a statement in the Legislature at Queen's Park.

“Not so many years ago, 9-11 was simply another date on the calendar,” she said. “That all changed 12 years ago today.”

She added 9-11 “has become a solemn date that will forever be etched into our society's collective memory. For it was on this date, September 11, 2001, that thousands of innocent lives were lost, including 24 Canadians, in the despicable acts of terror that occurred in New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia.”

Jones also pointed out the terrorist attacks represent an event that people always remember where they were when they first heard of it.

“In a world before Twitter, we watched news commentators try to explain the unimaginable horror while watching the twin towers collapse; and we tried to understand why anyone would unleash such senseless violence on so many innocent people,” Jones observed. “However, 9-11 will also always be remembered for the bravery demonstrated by the many first responders, volunteers and citizens who did everything they could to help others during and after the devastation.”

“And so on this day, while we will never forget the unspeakable, reprehensible acts of murder that were committed 12 years ago, we will also never forget the amazing strength and unity free citizens of the world showed, in condemning those terrible acts,” she concluded.