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“As we mark the seventh anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, we remember the thousands of innocent men, women and children who lost their lives on that day, and we extend our sympathies to their families, friends, and loved ones,” said Congressman Mahoney. “We also continue to honor the heroic service, actions, and sacrifices of those first responders, law enforcement personnel, volunteers, and others who aided the innocent victims and, in so doing, bravely risked and in many cases sacrificed their own lives.”

“Over the last seven years, thousands of Americans, both in and out of government, have worked tirelessly to improve our nation’s security and to protect our people,” Congressman Mahoney noted. “Seven years later, Americans remain steadfast in our determination to disrupt, dismantle and defeat terrorist organizations and the battle continues to find Osama bin Laden. Our work is not done.”

Last year, Congressman Mahoney co-sponsored legislation, which was signed into law, to better

protect Americans from terrorism and improve our homeland security. The legislation completes the enactment of the recommendations of the bipartisan, independent 9/11 Commission into law. This law requires 100 percent screening of cargo on passenger aircraft within three years, requires 100 percent scanning of seaborne cargo before it gets to U.S. ports within five years, better ensures that first responders can communicate with each other in an emergency, and improves rail and mass transit security.