Washington, D.C. - Today, Rep. Ben Ray Luján issued the following statement in remembrance of September 11, 2001.

"Nine years ago, Americans were united in mourning as a national tragedy unfolded.

And in the moments following the attacks, average Americans found themselves in danger, but turned inwards to find the courage to help those around them. In New York, Washington, and Pennsylvania, we saw heroism and heartache.

Today, we must stand together again to honor our first responders. I encourage all New Mexicans to take this time to reach out and volunteer in your communities. I know there is far more our nation must do but, if we stand united, then we can only grow stronger. Together we can continue towards building a more perfect union."