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By Electronic Mail

The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Chairman, House Judiciary Committee
United States Congress
2426 Rayburn
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Conyers:

I am the Executive Vice President of Turner Construction Company, one of the Prime Contractors that responded at Ground Zero on September 11, 2001 to assist in the rescue, recovery and clean-up efforts following the terrorist attack on our country. I write to you to express my company's support for H.R. 847, known as the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2009 that was introduced by Representative Carolyn B. Maloney of New York. Turner supports passage of the base bill and the Manager's Amendment that, among other things, eliminated the exception relating to punitive damages in Section 204 of the bill.

The protection this legislation provides, not only to contractors such as Turner but also to the thousands of first responders who answered the call of duty, is desperately needed. We support its speedy passage into law.

Respectfully,

TURNER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pat A. Di Filippo".

Pat A. Di Filippo
Executive Vice President

cc: The Honorable Lamar Smith
Ranking Member
House Judiciary Committee