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Process Paper

We chose our topic according to previous background knowledge of the different aspects of 9/11, acquired through the elementary grades. This topic was inspired by our curious personalities, because on our own time before this project was announced, we separately conducted research to better our understanding of the work terrorist attack on American soil, better known as “the day that changed the world”. In our research, we learned the basics-the 4 planes, the targets, and whether the planes reached their intended target or not. We were shaken up by the fact that it is speculated that UA93 (our NHD project topic) had a target of either the White House, or the Capitol Building, and that the actions taken on this trip (by the passengers) saved a great symbol of American freedom, therefore giving us inspiration to choose this as our topic.

We conducted our research mostly by using online references, because the year (2001) in which our historical event took place had the internet. However, we also incorporated 2 documentaries, for better understanding of the passenger revolt actions, and 1 newspaper article close to the date of our event. Also, we used the 9/11 Commission Report for a credible reference for many facts about UA93, because this report, published by our federal government, was written by a commission that has spent 3 years devoting their time to investigating what occurred on 9/11/2001. Overall, our sources and research was mostly conducted online. Our group selected our presentation category as a website, so we could formally publish our research for virtually anyone to view. This would allow others to be able to dig deeper into what occurred on United Flight 93, such as ourselves, when we conducted research. This will also

provide an easier way to transfer our research, which was mostly done online, to another online website creator. This helped us be efficient with incorporating our research into our project, thus taking our time and working to our full potential to create the best website we could create. We created our project by using Weebly to create 5 different pages, with different aspects of our NHD project. 3 pages discussed the different aspects of the boarding, hijacking, and rash of UA93. The “Home” page gave an accurate summary of events on flight 93, and the “NHD” page gave all the required documents and other such items required for our entry in the contest.

Our project related to this year’s NHD theme “taking a stand in history” because of the action the passengers took to prevent UA93 from reaching its intended target. The target for UA93 was the White House or Capitol Hill, but because of the actions the passengers took to try and regain control of the plane, it didn’t reach that target. Because of this, hundreds of lives were saved, and UA93 wasn’t used as-yet another missile into a building at the very foundation of America, its capitol. Therefore, by them revolting or taking a stand in history, lives were saved.
