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Relatives of 9/11 victims vowed yesterday to press Congress to tighten the borders and crack down on illegal immigration.

"We're going to hold their feet to the fire," Joan Molinaro, a member of 9/11 Families for a Secure America, said during a press conference at Ground Zero.

Members of the group, which represents families of 300 people who died in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, said they wanted to remind Congress, which convenes today, that it must revisit border security and tighter identification requirements for visas and driver's licenses.

The group joined Rep. James Sensenbrenner (Wis.), House Judiciary Committee chairman, and some other prominent Republicans last year in a failed attempt to include measures against illegal immigration in the intelligence bill that President Bush signed last month.

Sensenbrenner is expected to re-introduce the legislation today.

Families for a Secure America has charged that the failure to keep out unauthorized aliens led directly to the 9/11 attacks.

The group calls the problem of illegal entry into the country "massive" and warns that it has grown over the past 30 years.

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