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Pathmark Stores, Inc.

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September 12, 2002

Mr. Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary
Securities & Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
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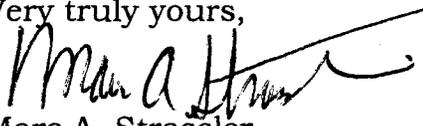
**Re: *Pathmark Stores, Inc.*
Sworn Statements Pursuant to Section 21(a)(1)
*of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934***

Dear Mr. Katz:

On behalf of Pathmark Stores, Inc. (the "Company") and pursuant to Order 4-460 issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 27, 2002, please find enclosed the required Statements under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings for the Company as signed on September 12, 2002 by Mr. James L. Donald (President and Chief Executive Officer) and Mr. Frank G. Vitrano (Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer).

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed by stamping the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and returning it to the undersigned in the enclosed envelope.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at (732) 499-3930. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Marc A. Strassler
Senior Vice President, Secretary
and General Counsel

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FORM OF SWORN STATEMENT

STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER
REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO
EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

I, Frank G. Vitrano, state and attest that:

- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Pathmark Stores, Inc. (the "Company") and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this Statement with the Company's Audit Committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this Statement, is a "covered report":
 - Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 2, 2002, filed with the Commission, of Pathmark Stores, Inc.;
 - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Pathmark Stores, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and

- any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Frank G. Vitano

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of September, 2002.

Date: September 12, 2002

Margaret M. Storms

Notary Public

My Commission expires:

MARGARET M. STORMS
 NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
 My Commission Expires Aug. 2, 2003

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