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Rudy pitches pinstriped pep

Mayor Giuliani gave the Yankees a rousing World Series send-off yesterday — hosting a pep rally at City Hall at which he kept coming back to one theme:

People should strive to get back to normal lives after the terrorist attacks.

"What's normal for October? The Yankees in the World Series," Hizzoner told a cheering crowd of about 300 people (photo, below).

But in a sign of what has also become normal, those attending the rally had to wait in line outside City Hall Park before passing through metal detectors.

Yankee manager Joe Torre and left fielder Chuck Knoblauch *(photo, top)* joined the mayor. Fire Commissioner Thomas Von Essen and Cardinal Edward Egan also were on hand.

"You guys are the best," Torre told the crowd.



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RALLY CAPS: Yankee manager Joe Torre and Mayor Giuliani sport fire helmets customized with the Bronx Bombers' logo at yesterday's World Series rally outside City Hall.
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