



WILMINGTON FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTION FROM THE WILMINGTON FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 1590 EXECUTIVE BOARD

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Firefighters Association, Local 1590 is the Union that represents the professional firefighters for the City of Wilmington; and

WHEREAS, firefighters are routinely exposed to stress, heat, products of combustion, and various toxic substances while providing emergency services to the public; and

WHEREAS, research conducted by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health has found that firefighters have disproportionately higher rates of various types of cancers than the general population; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware 151st General Assembly is the elected legislative body of the State of Delaware, comprised of the Delaware Senate and the Delaware House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, Senator Nicole Poore, Senator Bruce C. Ennis, Representative J. Larry Mitchell, Representative William J. Carson, Senator Spiros Mantzavinos, Senator Trey Paradee, Senator John "Jack" Walsh, Senator David L. Wilson, Representative Paul S. Baumbach, Representative Ronald E. Gray, Representative Kim Williams; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned legislators deemed it important and necessary to craft, sponsor and co-sponsor Senate Bill No. 160, an act to amend Title 18 of the Delaware Code relating to insurance and line-of-duty disability policies for certain emergency responders which provides benefits for firefighters diagnosed with cancer; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 160 was signed into law on August 10th, 2021 by Governor John Carney, the 74th Governor of Delaware.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2021 Executive Board of the Wilmington Firefighters Association, Local 1590, do hereby commend and express our gratitude on behalf of our membership to Governor John Carney, Senator Nicole Poore, Senator Bruce C. Ennis, Representative J. Larry Mitchell, Representative William J. Carson, Senator Spiros Mantzavinos, Senator Trey Paradee, Senator John "Jack" Walsh, Senator David L. Wilson, Representative Paul S. Baumbach, Representative Ronald E. Gray, and Representative Kim Williams, for their roles and legislative authority in enacting a law which benefits firefighters and acknowledges the heightened risk of cancer connected to our service to the public.

On this day, October 18, 2021, signed _____

John Cawthray, President of Local 1590