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CDR Kenny Fent, PhD, CIH
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Dear Dr. Fent,

On behalf of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF), I am pleased to confirm our support of the National Firefighter Registry. Congress created the NFFF to honor America's fallen firefighters, assist their families, and prevent line-of-duty deaths. Each year, we honor fallen firefighters at our National Memorial Services and inscribe their names on the bronze plaques adorning the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial. After recognizing cancer as a significant contributor to firefighter fatalities in 2018, the NFFF began honoring firefighters who succumbed to line-of-duty deaths due to their exposure to cancer-causing toxins. We are keenly aware of the impact of firefighter deaths and the families' suffering when their firefighter dies from this insidious disease.

We are grateful for the work you and your colleagues at the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health are doing with the National Firefighter Registry. We know the cancer registry will provide critical information to prevent future cancer exposures and lead to improved policies and more effective detection and treatments across America's fire service.

Please include the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation as a fully committed partner dedicated to doing all we can to eradicate the blight of cancer in the fire service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald Jon Siarnicki".

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