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Clark County Fire Department 575 E. Flamingo Rd. Las Vegas, NV 89119

Dear Chief Greene,

First of all, thank you for the cooperation that was evident by your department, the City of Las Vegas, Clarke County and of course the International Association of Fire Fighters in your recent hosting of Fire OPS 101.

I can't tell you how refreshing it is to see your administration and the IAFF working hand-in-hand in an effort to improve the safety and professionalism of fire fighters across our great country.

As a city councilman recently re-elected to my second term, I have always had the greatest respect and admiration for our local fire fighters and the commitment to their profession as well as their brothers and sisters. I have done several ride-alongs with our local fire and rescue but nothing compares to donning the gear and putting yourself in a situation of personal risk, pushing yourself to overcome your fears and instinctive nature to back away,

I have to admit that my already high level of respect for your profession has increased ten-fold and have become an even stronger advocate for our local department and their needs.

I want to thank you again for your hospitality and very generous efforts in making my experience of Fire OPS 101 very thought provoking, enjoyable and enlightening.

Sincerely,

Ken R. Svoboda

Lincoln City Council, Chair