

March 7, 2024

Dear Representative Stephen M. Casey:

My name is Kevin D. Quinn and I am with the Union Fire District of South Kingstown, RI. I am in my 48 year with the Union Fire District. I am also a resident of South Kingstown. I am writing today to urge you to ensure that House Bill 2024 -- H 7838 is supported by the State Legislative body. This act broadens the scope of bringing more volunteer firefighters into the Union Fire District. This incentive will help retain our firefighters which are critical to ensuring that our fire district has the proper and sufficient staffing, and training needed to ensure the health and safety of our personnel and the citizens we protect. This act relates to an amendment and in addition to the act, passed at the January Session, A.D. 1883, Entitled "An act to Incorporate the Union Fire District of South Kingstown."

The Union Fire District has just completed our period of performance of our SAFER grant. Due in part to that funding, we have been able to increase our volunteer fire force and we are implementing a firefighting course in South Kingstown High School this September. We are excited about our future, but we firmly believe this amendment to our Charter will help add more, sorely needed, firefighters to our ranks.

Please help us protect our citizens and visitors to South Kingstown by supporting 2024 - H 7838.
Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

Kevin D. Quinn

***Kevin D. Quinn, Past Chairman
National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC)***