

OREGON STATE FIRE FIGHTERS COUNCIL

International Association of Fire Fighters AFL-CIO CLC

Subject: Letter of Support for Memorial Resolution (SCR 24) for Fallen Firefighter Brian Flowers

Chair Jama, Vice Chair Bonham, members of the Senate Committee on Rules,

I am writing to express my wholehearted and unwavering support for the proposed memorial resolution honoring the life and service of fallen firefighter Brian Flowers.

Brian Flowers' dedication to the safety and well-being of our community was exemplary. His courageous service and ultimate sacrifice represent the highest ideals of the firefighting profession. He served with honor, bravery, and a deep commitment to protecting the lives and property of the citizens of Gresham, Oregon.

A memorial resolution is a fitting and necessary tribute to Brian's extraordinary life and the profound impact he had on our community. It would serve as a lasting reminder of his selflessness and the risks firefighters take every day to keep us safe.

This resolution would:

- Acknowledge Brian's Sacrifice: It would formally recognize the ultimate sacrifice Brian made in the line of duty, ensuring his memory is forever enshrined in our community's history.
- **Express Gratitude:** It would provide an opportunity for the community to express our deepest gratitude for Brian's service and the sacrifices made by his family.
- Honor His Legacy: It would serve as an inspiration to current and future generations of firefighters, reminding them of the dedication and courage required to serve our communities.
- **Provide Comfort to Family and Friends:** It would offer a measure of comfort and support to Brian's family, friends, and fellow firefighters, demonstrating that his sacrifice will never be forgotten.



Brian Flowers' memory deserves to be honored and preserved. A memorial resolution is a meaningful way to ensure that his legacy of courage and service lives on.

I urge you to approve this resolution and join our community in honoring the life of fallen firefighter Brian Flowers.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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