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The Honorable Peter King
302 Cannon House Office Building
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Dear Congressman King,

On behalf of the International Union of Police Associations, AFL-CIO, I am proud to offer our endorsement and support of your thoughtful and critical legislation, **"Never Forget the Heroes: Permanent Authorization of the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund Act of 2019"**.

The attacks that occurred on 9/11 resulted in hundreds of deaths and critical injuries. No one could have anticipated that those attacks would continue to kill American heroes for decades following that ugly day.

The fund that was authorized to provide the proper care for those injured or who died as a result of their participation in the rescue and subsequent clean-up of the World Trade Center has fallen short of funds. Your Bill would restore those funds in order to continuously endeavor to make whole the first responders and the families of those who have been adversely impacted by the unforeseen toxicity of the environment where they worked selflessly and tirelessly to rescue others. It is the right thing to do.

There is no expiration date on the illnesses caused by these exposures and neither should there be any such date on our responsibility to acknowledge and care for those who so bravely served.

We look forward to working with you and your staff to see this critical and bipartisan legislation brought forward and signed into law.

Very Respectfully,

Sam A. Cabral
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