

October 6, 2010

Re: A-11362 and S8106

Dear Senator/Assemblyman:

I am a fire district commissioner and volunteer member of the _____ Fire Department. In my capacity as commissioner, I am charged with protecting the health and safety of our volunteer members as they respond to emergencies in their neighborhoods.

Legislation has recently been introduced for the added protection of the fire service community throughout New York State. It would require property owners to notify their local fire department when truss construction is utilized for a new structure or during modification of an existing structure. When it collapses, truss construction has caused multiple fatalities and serious injuries for first responders.

Your support of this bill is detrimental to the safety of the members of the _____ Fire Department and others that serve in this capacity. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Very truly yours,