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Executive Committee and Association Members,

Please allow me to take this opportunity to officially announce my candidacy for Fourth Vice President of The South Carolina Firefighters' Association. I made my intentions public to the membership at the annual conference in June of 2016 and asked for their support.

I am currently a second generation Fire Chief. My father was a progressive Fire Chief in the fire service before his death in 1982. My career started in the fire service as a volunteer junior firefighter in 1988 and I worked my way through the ranks to Fire Chief with Cowpens Fire Department. I am currently still a member at Cowpens Fire Department as a volunteer. In 2012, I started my paid career as Fire Chief for the City of Gaffney Fire Department.

I am a 2013 graduate of the South Carolina Firefighters' Association Leadership Institute. Traveling around our state during the leadership institute taught me so much and allowed me to meet so many brothers and sisters in the fire service. I have served as your Chairman of the South Carolina Firefighters' Foundation, served on the Executive Committee, as well as Chairman of the Bylaws Committee. I have served as President of the Spartanburg County Fire Chiefs Association and Chairman of the Spartanburg County Fire Advisory Board.

If elected, I plan to work with the current Executive Committee to continue the positive direction the association is moving in. Our association is founded on providing support and benefits to our members. Providing this support for all members whether volunteer or paid, and departments small or large, is my goal. I will continue to grow the foundation to benefit all firefighters in the state. I will continue to listen to our members and identify their needs and work to assist with any member's request.

I ask for your vote in June of 2017 for Fourth Vice President of this great association. Thank you in advance for your support and I look forward to this next year. Please contact me if I can be of any assistance. My email is jcaggiano@gaffneyfire.com and my cell phone number is (864) 491-9907.

Sincerely,

James V. Caggiano, Jr