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Honorable Jim Justice
State of West Virginia
State Capitol Complex
Charleston, WV 25305

Dear Governor Justice:

I am writing on behalf of the members of the West Virginia Troopers Association to ask for your support to secure and provide funds from the eligible ARP funds that are available to be used for First Responders.

During this pandemic our members, however challenging, have continued to protect and serve the citizens of our State. **Your Troopers** are routinely exposed to individuals who have unfortunately contracted this highly contagious virus. They are required to take action with these individuals which require close contact for extended periods of time. Due to our mission, Troopers do not get to choose to remain home and limit their exposure to this virus.

The \$1.355 billion received by the State of West Virginia provides a source of funding that can be utilized to provide **premium/hazard pay** to WV Troopers protecting our citizens on a daily basis without hesitancy.

Unfortunately, your West Virginia Troopers are routinely overlooked during distribution of funds designated to be utilized by your First Responders. We ask that you do not let this happen during the distribution of the ARP funds and that you work to secure and distribute funding to our West Virginia Troopers.

Thank you in advance for your support with this matter.

Respectfully,

Jeffery Chumley
WVTA President

cc: West Virginia State Senators
West Virginia House of Delegates
West Virginia Troopers Association Board of Directors