

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Hope Janke, Director PSOB
Bureau of Justice Assistance
Office of Justice Programs
U.S. Department of Justice
999 N. Capitol Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20531

Subject: Line of Duty Death Federal Benefit approvals from the Department of Justice, Public Safety Officer Benefit Program

Dear Director Janke:

We write to you today to request that the Department of Justice's (DOJ) Office of Justice Programs (OJP) swiftly approve the following Public Safety Officer Benefit Program applications for Line of Duty Death Federal Benefits:

- Adam Finseth, Burnsville Fire Department, 7/12/2024
- Andy Loso, St. Joseph Fire Department, 11/13/2024
- Brian Lange, Upsala Fire Department, 10/10/2024
- Allen Fisher, South Haven Fire Department, 12/30/2024
- Brett Boss, Albert Lea Fire Department, 1/15/2025

These Minnesotans have honorably served our state and communities, tragically passing away while protecting the lives of their fellow Minnesotans. Unfortunately, approvals of Line of Duty Death Federal Benefits were delayed under the previous administration. These delays have left the families of the fallen without the benefits that they are rightfully entitled to following their loved ones paying the ultimate sacrifice while protecting their communities.

As you know, each day across our state and nation, over one million firefighters risk their lives to protect their communities and assist people in their hour of need. In our continued commitment to honoring the lives of these heroes, we respectfully request the OJP to swiftly approve these Public Safety Officer Benefit Program applications and provide the families with the benefits they deserve.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



Betty McCollum
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