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Littleton City Council
c/o Chief Chris Armstrong
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Via email

Mayor & Members of the City Council,

The Colorado State Fire Chiefs supports the efforts of the Littleton City Council to sustain excellence in the provision of fire and emergency medical services for your citizens, taxpayers and businesses through unification of Littleton Fire Rescue with the South Metro Fire Protection District.

Your efforts should be celebrated and copied as a mark of excellence in local governance in Colorado and beyond. These decisions are rarely easy and always include self-reflection about making the best decision for the community. In this case, unification is a win-win for all.

The City Council's commitment to the unification of the LFR with SMFR addresses a multitude of challenges including long term fiscal sustainability, continuous improvements in fire & EMS operations and increased citizen and firefighter safety.

Unification will provide a critical building block in the City of Littleton's long-standing efforts to provide more efficient, high-quality emergency services at the lowest cost which should be the goal of every local government examining its options for the provision of fire and emergency services.

The immediate and long-term benefits of unification in improved service and citizen satisfaction will outweigh any short-term challenges.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Garry Briese". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Garry Briese
CEO/ Executive Director