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Dear Chiefs:

I again want to thank you all for your support. I love what I do and I am dedicated to providing the best fire response and care possible in my community and the state and I know you feel the same way. Please always feel free to let me know if there are any problems I can help you with.

Yesterday, I had the privilege of meeting with a sculptor by the name of Stan Watts, who lives in Salt Lake City and operates a foundry in Kearns. Stan has secured the rights to sculpt The Three Firemen Lifting the Flag at Ground Zero on behalf of and to be placed at The National Fallen Fire Fighters Foundation Memorial at Emmitsburg, Maryland. (As you know, that Memorial is at the Emmitsburg training center for us firefighters throughout the nation and is also just a few miles from Gettysburg.) Stan had a superb article covering the front page of the Deseret News on 9-11 about this great sculpture project. This 40 foot monument honors our national flag and honors firefighters and service providers the world over. Stan is well into the project and I have included a couple of photos. The web site for the project is www.toliftanation.org.

Stan has also secured the privilege of helping to sell 47,000 laser inscribed brick pavers on behalf of The NFFF. The money will be a tax free contribution to The NFFF which will be used initially to fund the monument and much of the balance will be used to provide college tuition for children of fallen fire fighters. Stan is also required to give twenty five percent of anything he receives to The Bravest Fund (a foundation that supports needy families of fire fighters) and The North Jersey Media Relief Fund, which donates its money to victims of the twin tower disaster. Each brick paver carries three lines of text and costs \$200 and will be placed in a heated walkway surrounding the monument. Each brick paver also comes with a lifetime guarantee ensuring that a brick will be there in support of your family's great name.

After reviewing the project, I told Stan that I would be honored to have my name at Emmitsburg in the walkway and to support such a noble project so I bought my own brick for \$200. I also told Stan that I believe we as Fire Chiefs can pass the word along to our staffs and help sell a minimum of 1,000 bricks in the state of Utah. With this in mind, I would appreciate your support. If each of you would be so kind as to give at least 20 of your fire personnel and their friends and families the privilege and honor of having their names at Emmitsburg as part of this great monument, I would greatly appreciate it. Simply print off and have each person complete the attached form which requests the name, address and phone number and email of the person buying the brick **AND THE PRECISE TEXT THEY WOULD LIKE ON THE BRICK**. Have them make out a check to: TO LIFT A NATION NFFF for \$200 for each person who receives a brick. Staple a form for each person to check. If anyone would like to use a credit card they may do so by including the detail on the form or by going to the web site: www.toliftanation.org

Again, on each brick you can have 20 characters on each of three lines.

On my brick I have asked to have the following inscribed:

Our work continues
We'll never forget
Steve Foote SoSLCFD

I hope you share my enthusiasm for this unique monument. If you feel comfortable in supporting this monument, would you please have the checks and the stapled details sent or hand delivered to my office as soon as possible but on or before January 18, 2007 which is the date of our next meeting. I will see that they are delivered to Stan's attorney for proper accounting and banking in trust.

Sincerely,

Steven F. Foote
Fire Chief SSLCFD
President
Utah State Fire Chief's Association

P.S. Because we are helping with this worthwhile monument and the fund for college tuition for sons and daughters of fallen fire fighters, Stan has also agreed to give us a 40 inch statue of The Three Firemen Lifting the Flag at Ground Zero for our state fire fighters museum in Tooele. Stan is also giving me a signed photo of the monument as currently in process for each of us Chiefs. I will give these to you at our meeting in January. He has also promised each of us a signed photograph of the completed and installed monument. And if any of you would like to attend the dedication of the monument in Emmitsburg next year, let me know and Stan will arrange an invitation for you.