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The Coalition to Reopen Klingle Road P.O. Box 4881, Cleveland Park Post Office 3434 Connecticut Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Coalition,

The District of Columbia Fire Fighters Association, Local 36, of The Intentional Association of Fire Fighters, AFL-CIO-MWC wishes to re-affirm our support of the efforts by the coalition to repair and reopen Klingle Road, NW.

I would hope that the events of September 11, 2001, which has necessitated a closer look at all aspects of our public safety resources, would force our elected leaders to re-evaluate their position with regards to Klingle Road.

As the protectors of the nations Capitol who played an integral part in the rescue operations and extinguishing the fire at the Pentagon, we are well aware of our potential for another terrorist attack and our need to be prepared.

Part of the preparation for the public, in the event of an attack, is the need for the availability for a prompt exit of the city.

For the firefighters, and public safety forces, we have the immediate need to be able to have all major and secondary arteries available for the response of emergency equipment.

Conversely, these same major and secondary roads must be available to expedite the response by emergency units from the surrounding jurisdictions into the District.

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The District of Columbia Fire Fighters support for the repair and reopening of Klingle Road hasn't changed. If anything, it's intensified since the events of September 11th.

We need Klingle Road repaired ... and re-opened!

Sincerety, Kaymund Sneed

President