



Fellow State Association Leaders,

As you well know, Ohio Fire Fighters and public employees are in a battle for our livelihoods. Our collective bargaining rights are under attack in the form of Ohio Senate Bill 5. Fortunately, we have the opportunity to repeal this damaging legislation in November by defeating Issue 2.

In addition to eliminating any meaningful negotiations over wages, hours and terms and conditions of employment, SB5 would remove the only avenue for Ohio Fire Fighters to gain enforceable safety provisions.

At the September meeting of the Federation of State and Provincial Associations you were gracious enough to pass a motion, unanimously, to support our effort. Thank you for that support. In elections, it has been said "As Ohio goes so goes the nation." We need to send a clear message that collective bargaining and worker safety is part of American fabric.

This campaign is a costly one and our members have stepped up to the plate. Earlier this year, OAPFF delegates unanimously passed nearly \$1 million in assessments. However, our opposition is being financed by big money donors like the Koch Brothers and Karl Rove along with the PACs they control. Through these organizations, tens of millions of dollars are now being funneled into Ohio.

The OAPFF realizes that you are facing battles of your own. I had hoped that I would not need to make this request. However we now need your help. The OAPFF is working to secure financial assistance to help in our efforts to defeat Issue 2.

Any contribution would be greatly appreciated. All funds donated will be utilized in the best manner possible to secure a NO vote on Ohio issue 2. Thanks again for all of your continued support.

Please make any donations to: Ohio Association of Professional Fire Fighters (OAPFF) ---140 East Town St Suite 1225, Columbus Ohio 43215. Please, no PAC checks. For clarification or questions, call Mark Horton, OAPFF Sec/Treasurer at 440-315-2952

Stay Safe, Stay United,

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