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San Francisco Board Supervisor Asha Safai
City Hall
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Dear Supervisor Safai,

I am writing to let you know that the San Francisco Fire Commission supports the work of the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation and the Firefighters in Safety Education program. We acknowledge the volunteers and the phenomenal job they do. This foundation and program provides students enrolled in the San Francisco School District with invaluable resources educating children in fire safety and burn prevention. When the children are presented with this information, they in turn, go on to educate family members about how best to protect themselves in the event of a fire. Therefore, the impacts of this Foundation and the Firefighters in Safety Education program are truly exponential. Not surprisingly, studies have shown that this program has directly contributed to a reduction in fire scene injuries to children. We urge you to provide funding to help these programs thrive. The value of fire safety education cannot be overstated, particularly in times like these of widespread fire disasters so close to home.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ken Cleaveland".

Ken Cleaveland
President, San Francisco Fire Commission

Cc: Fire Commissioners
Chief Joanne Hayes-White