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Memorandum in Support

S4681 – Senator Gounardes

A3988 – MoA Abbate

An act to amend the retirement and social security law, the education law, the public authorities law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to establishing a coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) benefit for public employee death benefits; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon the expiration thereof

SUPPORT!

This bill, which would take effect immediately upon its enactment, and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and after March 1, 2020; provided that the provisions of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed on December 31, 2022, would provide accidental death benefits to the statutory beneficiaries of all public employees (state and local) who worked on or after March 1, 2020, contracted the COVID-19 coronavirus, and died of the COVID-19 coronavirus on or before December 31, 2022.

The New York State Public Employee Conference (NYSPEC) is an umbrella organization comprising approximately 80 unions and groups representing a wide spectrum of hundreds of thousands of public employees.

At its annual meeting on November 10, 2020, NYSPEC's membership voted unanimously to make this issue our number one legislative priority for 2021. Therefore, we strongly support this legislation, and urge its passage and enactment.

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2021 Member Units

Amalgamated Transit Union Local 726
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Arlington Professional Firefighters Local 2393
Association of Supreme Court Reporters
Bridge & Tunnel Officers Benevolent Association
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Benevolent Association
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Civil Service Coalition of
Building Trades and Municipal Unions
Correction Captains Association
Correction Officers Benevolent Association
Court Attorneys Association
of the City Of New York
Court Officers Benevolent Association of
Nassau County
CWA Local 1180
Detectives Endowment Association
Detective Investigators Association
East Hampton Village PBA
I B E W Local 3
I U O E Local 15A-B-C-D
I U O E Local 30
I U O E Local 211
I U O E Local 891
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Local 372, DC 37
Local 983, DC 37
Long Island Public Service Employees Local 342
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MTA PBA
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Benevolent Association
Nassau County Detectives Association Inc.
Nassau County Fire Marshal Benevolent Association
Nassau County PBA
Nassau County Police Conference
Nassau County Sheriff's COBA
Nassau County Superior Officers Association
New York District Council of Carpenters
NYC Deputy Sheriff's Association
NYS Correctional Officers & PBA
NYS Court Clerks Association
NYS Court Officers Association
NYS Nurses Association
NYS Police Investigators Association
NYS Professional Fire Fighters Association
NYS Public Employees Federation, AFL-CIO
NYS Troopers PBA
NYS Supreme Court Officers
Police Conference of New York
Port Authority Maintenance Supervisors Association
Port Authority PBA
Port Authority Police Detectives
Endowment Association
S E I U Local 246
S E I U Local 300
S E I U Local 621
Sanitation Officers' Association
Sergeants Benevolent Association
Social Services Employees Union Local 371
Southampton Town PBA
Subway Surface Supervisors Association
Suffolk County Association of Municipal Employees
Suffolk County Correction Officers Association
Suffolk County Court Employees Association
Suffolk County Deputy Sheriffs PBA
Suffolk County PBA
Suffolk County Police Conference
Suffolk County Police Superior Officers Association
Suffolk County Probation Officers Association
Suffolk Detectives Association
TWU Local 100
Uniformed EMS Officers Union
Uniform EMTs and Paramedics Local 2507
Uniformed Fire Alarm Dispatchers
Benevolent Association
Uniformed Firefighters Association
Uniformed Fire Officers Association
Uniformed Sanitationmen's Association
United Public Service Employees Association
United Transit Leadership Organization
Westchester County Correction Officers Association
Yonkers Fire Fighters Local 628
Yonkers Uniformed Fire Officers Association