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Honorable Tim O'Driscoll
Chair, Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement

David DeJonge
PERA

Re: Spring Lake Park Firefighters Relief Association – Statewide Pension Plan Legislation

Sirs:

The Spring Lake Park Firefighters Relief Association Board of Directors adopted a motion in unanimous support for repealing Minnesota Statute 353G.02, subd. 6(b), a provision providing fiscal re-payment for future monthly plans seeking to migrate to the Statewide Volunteer Pension Plan.

The Board is appreciative of the work PERA staff has done in minimizing the programing costs which were estimated between \$150,000 and \$200,000 and the time the legislation was adopted but actual incurred were just under \$52,000.

Similarly the Relief Board is grateful for Senator Johnson's leadership on this issue, the support of the Pension Commission and Staff in helping to strengthen the Volunteer Statewide Pension Program.

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nyle Zikmund'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Nyle Zikmund
Fire Chief/Trustee