



OFFICE OF THE  
COMMISSIONER FOR BURNS

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT

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**Revised Protocol: LODD**  
**City of Bridgeport Connecticut**  
Recommendations and Findings from NIOSH

As the Commissioner for Burns and Head of Delegation, I have personally read the NIOSH Report and listened to the Radio Transmissions of that fateful evening of July 24<sup>th</sup> 2010; when two men belonging to the City of Bridgeport Connecticut Fire Department lost their lives in the performance of their duties, as public safety representatives.

Moreover, their memories will live on in our hearts, and our support continues to be with the Men & Women of the City of Bridgeport Connecticut Fire Department; along with the Men & Women of the International Public Safety Community.

Therefore, we continue our support, not only for the City of Bridgeport Connecticut, but its changes for the best. In providing a better workplace for their Men & Women serving as Firefighters: utilizing the Mayday Program which is to aid those whom are either lost and/or injured while on the fire ground.

We would sincerely hope that these special transmissions- along with all Public Safety Transmissions would be monitored by the Dispatch Center, but in the case of these two men- that was not so. Further, we welcome the overall plans for improvements in the following areas:

- 1) Mock Mayday
- 2) Retraining in the areas of the Public Safety Communication Center (Monitoring)
- 3) Live Training within all Fire Houses
- 4) Post-Incident Analysis

In addition, the aforementioned must be practiced within all Public Safety Agencies and nothing should ever be taken for granted, as we cannot allow these deaths anymore.

Sincerely,

*H. E. Brandon C. Jones-McGeer*

**Commissioner for Burns and Head of Delegation**

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