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The Honorable C.T. Wilson Chairman, Economic Matters Committee Maryland House of Delegates 231 Taylor Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: **Strong Opposition** to Senate Bill 306 - Workers' Compensation - Prescription Drug & Pharmaceutical Services - Reimbursements

Dear Chairman Wilson,

My name is Victor Ferreira, Fire Chief at Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport and I am an injured worker residing in the State of Maryland, presently steering the complexities of the workers' compensation system. I am writing to formally request your opposition to Senate Bill 306.

Prior to my discovery of RescueMeds, I faced significant obstacles in obtaining necessary prescriptions, despite possessing an official order from the Workers' Compensation Commission. My local pharmacy categorically refused to fulfill my medication needs, resulting in prolonged pain and uncertainty regarding my next steps.

The introduction of RescueMeds has been transformative. Upon receiving prescriptions from my physician, they efficiently deliver the medications directly to my residence without delay. Their services have been instrumental to my well-being, and I do not express this sentiment lightly.

Senate Bill 306 threatens to eliminate this crucial support system for me and numerous other injured workers who are striving to survive both physically and financially. I have been engaged in this process for several years. Despite a ruling affirming my disability from the Commission, the insurance company continues to contest the provision of my benefits.

RescueMeds remains my sole source of assistance during this challenging time. Other pharmacies have informed me that the insurance has discontinued my coverage and

that they are unable to provide assistance. In contrast, RescueMeds has consistently supported me throughout this ordeal.

I urge you to carefully consider the ramifications of Senate Bill 306. It is imperative that this critical support not be removed. I implore you to stand in solidarity with all injured workers in Maryland who rightfully deserve the opportunity to heal and have their voices heard.

Sincerely, Victor Ferreira

Victor Ferreira Fire Chief at BWI Airport