

Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association

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POSITION STATEMENT

SUPPORT FOR SEAFC/IAFC CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS CHANGE

The Tennessee Fire Chiefs Association (TFCA) strongly supports the Southeastern Association of Fire Chiefs (SEAFC) proposed change to the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) Constitution and By-Laws to clarify that IAFC membership shall include membership in a Division and membership in a Division shall include membership in the IAFC.

Since 1927 the governance of the International Association of Fire Chiefs has included a mandate that all members of the IAFC join a Division as a requirement of membership. Officers of the IAFC are elected from the Divisions and the Divisions elect board members to the IAFC Board of Directors.

The TFCA feels that this governance model has worked very well since 1927 and that the Divisions give the IAFC a closer working relationship with all state fire chief associations.

The TFCA urges all SEAFC/IAFC members to vote in support of the IAFC proposed amendment Article II, Section 5 requiring IAFC membership to include Division membership.

Adopted this 19 M Day of FEBRUARY, 2016

Chief Chuck Walker

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