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### **Vice President Joe Biden to Address Fire Fighters March 12 at 9:00 a.m. at Hyatt Regency in Washington, DC (Press Call 7:30 a.m.)**

*Washington, DC* – Honoring a relationship that spans more than 40 years, former Vice President Joe Biden will deliver the keynote speech to the leaders of one of the nation’s most influential labor organizations.

“Our members have a great relationship that spans several decades with the 47<sup>th</sup> vice president of the United States,” says Harold Schaitberger, General President of the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF). “No one has been there for fire fighters like Joe Biden has.”

Vice President Biden is scheduled to speak during the [2019 IAFF Alfred K. Whitehead Legislative Conference](#) on March 12 at 9:00 a.m. at the Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill (Press call at 7:30 a.m.). He will address more than 900 IAFF affiliate leaders from across the United States who will be in the nation’s capital to urge lawmakers to support policies that improve public safety and fire fighter safety.

Throughout this career, Biden has been one of the strongest and most influential voices in Washington, DC, helping fire fighters protect our communities.

Whether working to secure funding for proper staffing and resources for fire departments, helping draft the original Public Safety Officers Benefit (PSOB) and supporting its expansion through the years, protecting fire fighter retirements and helping raise funds for the IAFF Foundation for IAFF members who lost their homes in the recent California wildfires, Joe Biden has always been on the frontline fighting for fire fighters, their families and public safety.

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