

April 1, 2011

Dear Representative

On Friday, April 1, 2011, Congressman John Larson (CT-01) introduced an amendment to the US Flag Code; **H.R. 1330**; to allow the American flag to be flown at half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line of duty.

“First responders put their lives on the line to serve their communities on a daily basis and deserve the same recognition as public officials and our brave men and women in the Armed Forces,” Congressman Larson said. “These men and women are our friends, family and neighbors. In the event the unthinkable happens, they deserve the respect of having our flag flown at half-staff.”

Currently, the law specifically allows the American Flag to be flown at half-staff following the death of any present or former government official or any member of the Armed Forces.

As my Representative in Congress, would you please consider signing on as a co-sponsor of this bill, H.R.1330, to support the first responders of our great nation? It is a fitting tribute to honor these brave men and women as they continue to protect our great nation every day.

Sincerely,