CHEEKTOWAGA FIRE DISTRICT OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

March 14, 2015

Legislator Edward Rath III Old Erie County Hall 92 Franklin St 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Buffalo NY 14202

Dear Mr. Rath,

Our organization consists of the 10 fire districts within the Town of Cheektowaga and the Village of Sloan. At our last meeting, there was a lengthy discussion about the cell phone surcharge money funding issues other than its intended use. The Erie County Advisory Board has indicated that many problems exist with the County's emergency communications system.

We urge you to take the lead and have the cell phone surcharge, fund the Erie County emergency radio system so that communication improvements can be made for all agencies. Our concern is the safety of our fire fighters.

Very truly yours,

Larry Rokitka

Secretary

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