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Timothy O'Connor, Vice President Dutchess-Fairview Professional Firefighters

John Anspach, Chairman Board of Fire Commissioners Fairview Fire District 258 Violet Avenue Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

## Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of October 18 regarding tax-exempt property in the Fairview Fire District. I have been a long-time observer of this issue as your District has struggled with the impact to your organization. Unfortunately, your recourse for corrective action is at the State level. I am happy to see your elected State legislators have responded to your long-time problem with the introduction of corrective State legislation. It is now up to these legislators to get your legislation adopted in the New York State Assembly and New York State Senate. As Executive of the County, I have no role in that process

If I can ever be of assistance with an issue which falls under my jurisdiction at the County level, please feel free to contact me.

Keep up the good work. We value your commitment and dedication.

Sincerely

WILLIAM R. STEINHAUS Dutchess County Executive