



## **Professional Firefighters of Eastern Missouri IAFF Local 2665**

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## **‘Firefighters for Kehoe’ Campaign Wins Governor Spot**

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Firefighters across Missouri are celebrating this November as the culmination of over two years of work has come to fruition. Gubernatorial candidate Mike Kehoe has won the Missouri governor race, ushering in a new era of firefighter- and paramedic-friendly legislation for the state. “Mike has had our back since his days in the Senate and is an outspoken supporter of our members,” said Cory Hogan, MSCFF Legislative Advisor and Executive Vice President of the Professional Firefighters of Eastern Missouri, IAFF Local 2665. EVP Hogan reflects back to 2017 when then State Senator Kehoe carved the firefighters out of harmful legislation. Kehoe has since been a huge ally on cancer legislation for our members, presumptive PTSD, as well as the appropriation of tens of millions of dollars for the treatment of these occupational conditions to the Missouri Fire Fighters Critical Illness Pool.

The Missouri State Council of Firefighters endorsed Kehoe for both of his senate terms, as well as his Lieutenant Governor election in 2020. In fact, they were the first organization to do so. His rise to governor was unexpected however, as another candidate was strongly favored to win the primaries over Kehoe. “Two years ago we were told that Kehoe had no chance of winning this election, but we dug in and ran a great campaign alongside his team,” said Hogan. “We turned up the heat on our ‘Firefighters for Kehoe’ campaign in May of 2024 and saw that impact in key areas of the state on election day.” In addition to efforts by the Missouri State Council of Fire Fighters, Local 2665 played a critical role in developing a support base for Kehoe on their side of the state.

The ‘Firefighters for Kehoe’ campaign also received backing from FIREPAC and the IAFF 2nd District staff. Kehoe himself has two nephews in the International Association of Firefighters – one in Local 671 and another in Local 2665.

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### **About Professional Firefighters of Eastern Missouri, IAFF Local 2665:**

Professional Firefighters of Eastern Missouri, IAFF Local 2665 is an organized labor nonprofit in the St. Louis area that represents over 2700 firefighters, paramedics, and dispatchers. Our mission is to protect the collective bargaining and due process rights of our members, secure competitive benefits for them, and ensure their safety and well-being while on the job.

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