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Dear Firefighter Stairclimb Challenge Participant,

It is a tremendous privilege to welcome you to the third annual *Firefighter Stairclimb Challenge*. Thank you for joining us! We hope that you will look back with pride on your accomplishment in completing the highest elevation firefighter stairclimb in the world and equally, in the important role you have played in support of people living with cancer.

The inspiration of Kathy Blas, sister to fallen firefighter, Gord Paul, the *Firefighter Stairclimb Challenge* is possible thanks to the extraordinary support of the Calgary Fire Department, the Calgary Firefighters Benevolent Society, the Calgary Firefighters Association (IAFF Local 255), Encana, Brookfield Residential, and many other sponsors. We look forward to witnessing the camaraderie and competition that we know you will share and enjoy.

As you take part, please accept our deepest gratitude for your accompanying support of people living with cancer. Wellspring Calgary was created to respond to the needs that emerge following a cancer diagnosis. We have the privilege of providing a wide range of evidence-informed programs, resources, speakers, and support free of charge to anyone living with any type of cancer. We also provide support and programs for caregivers and an exclusive stream of programs for young adults living with cancer. Wellspring Calgary receives no core or government funding and therefore relies on the remarkable generosity of individuals like you and important events like the *Firefighter Stairclimb Challenge* to offer all that we do. Please know what a profound difference you are making for so many through your participation.

Please accept our sincere thanks once again along with a warm welcome to visit Wellspring Calgary during your stay to see your work in action. We look forward to welcoming you to the highest elevation firefighter stairclimb in the world!

Warmest regards,

Patti Morris
Executive Director