

Resolution No. 24

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Resolutions

Re: Censure of Victor Angry

1 WHEREAS, the Prince William Professional Fire
2 Fighters Local 2598 was chartered September 14,
3 1977, to promote and improve the working
4 conditions of professional fire fighters in Prince
5 William County, Virginia; and

6 WHEREAS, being involved politically is crucial
7 to the success of the mission of IAFF locals; and

8 WHEREAS, Local 2598 has worked tirelessly
9 over the past 43 years to increase 24-hour fire and
10 EMS protection and improve services for the citizens
11 and visitors of Prince William County; and

12 WHEREAS, Local 2598 has been very involved
13 in the process of working with the elected Board of
14 County Supervisors to ensure that fire and EMS
15 services are provided at the highest levels possible;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, after the passing of Neabsco District
18 Supervisor and longtime friend of Local 2598, John
19 Jenkins, on February 6, 2019, Victor Angry was
20 elected to fill his seat in a special election; and

21 WHEREAS, Victor Angry subsequently won his
22 election to a four-year term to the Prince William
23 County Board of County Supervisors in the regular
24 election later that year; and

25 WHEREAS, members of Local 2598 work in an
26 environment that involves working with volunteer
27 fire departments in the jurisdiction; and

28 WHEREAS, the Dale City Volunteer Fire
29 Department is one of the volunteer fire departments

30 in Prince William County and refuses to work with
31 the local officials to improve service delivery and has
32 actually worked against these improvements; and

33 WHEREAS, Victor Angry is a member of the
34 Dale City Volunteer Fire Department and serves on
35 their Board of Directors; and

36 WHEREAS, the Prince William County
37 Department of Fire and Rescue has undergone
38 several major changes in the past few years with the
39 Dale City Volunteer Fire Department fighting these
40 improvements the entire time; and

41 WHEREAS, the majority of the volunteer fire
42 departments in Prince William County have worked
43 with local government officials to improve the
44 service as a whole; and

45 WHEREAS, these improvements included adding
46 more personnel to put units in service 24/7 and
47 increase base pay for starting fire fighters; and

48 WHEREAS, the Dale City Volunteer Fire
49 Department Board of Directors sent correspondence
50 to the Prince William County Board of County
51 Supervisors on August 28, 2020, recommending that
52 the Prince William County Department of Fire and
53 Rescue reduce its career staff by 25% during the
54 worst worldwide pandemic in over 100 years; and

55 WHEREAS, this reduction would have resulted in
56 the loss of jobs for over 180 members of Local 2598;
57 and

58 WHEREAS, in addition to the loss of jobs this
59 would have decimated the ability to respond to
60 emergencies, placing the lives of the citizens and
61 members of Local 2598 in extreme danger; and

62 WHEREAS, Victor Angry is a member of Dale

63 City Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors;
64 and

65 WHEREAS, as an elected official to the Prince
66 William County Board of County Supervisors, he has
67 a direct impact on the members of Local 2598 when
68 he makes decisions from his elected office; and

69 WHEREAS, Victor Angry has harassed,
70 interfered with, and attempted to intimidate members
71 of IAFF Local 2598 and refuses to work with Local
72 2598, the chief officers of the Prince William County
73 Department of Fire and Rescue and other elected
74 officials and has been actively trying to undermine
75 the progress of Local 2598; therefore be it

76 RESOLVED, That the International Association
77 of Fire Fighters does formally censure Neabsco
78 District Supervisor Victor Angry; and be it further

79 RESOLVED, That the International Association
80 of Fire Fighters shall notify all other labor
81 organizations in Virginia, all IAFF locals in Virginia,
82 Maryland, and Washington, DC, the members of the
83 Prince William County Board of County Supervisors,
84 the Prince William County Executive and Deputy
85 Executives, the Governor of Virginia, the Lieutenant
86 Governor of Virginia, the Attorney General of
87 Virginia, the Speaker of the House of Delegates in
88 Virginia and the Executive Director of the Virginia
89 Department of Fire Programs of this censure.

Submitted by: IAFF Local 2598, Prince William Professional
Fire Fighters

Cost Estimate: None

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

CONVENTION ACTION: