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I commend you on this report.

After 15+ years of being a professional firefighter, I am tired of seeing my fellow brother and sister firefighters dying just to save a building. I have been saying the same thing as this report for years now. It doesn't make sense to risk firefighters lives to save property. Property can be rebuilt. Lives are gone forever. Insurance will even pay to rebuild the building and everything in it. But you tell my wife and kids that some warehouse or someone's home and contents are more valuable than my life.

I anticipate you will receive quite the outcry from the "macho" firefighting community. Please don't change this report because of it. Too many lives depend on it!!!

Respectfully,  
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