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## **FAMA Awards 2024 Phillip L. Turner Scholarship to Vincent Orfini**

**Ocala, FL, August 23, 2024** - The Fire Apparatus Manufacturers' Association (FAMA) awarded its 2024 Phillip L. Turner Fire Protection Scholarship to University of New Haven (CT) student Vincent Orfini. Orfini was selected to receive the \$5,000 scholarship in recognition of his passion for volunteerism further supported by his strong GPA.

Orfini lives by the philosophy of service over self. He is a member of the Stony Point Volunteer Ambulance Corps and the Stony Point Volunteer Fire District. With over 450 volunteer hours and recognized as one of the 10 Top Responders in 2022, Orfini's passion to serve his community is evident. Beyond his commitment to serve, Orfini is focused on achieving his Bachelor of Science degree in Fire Science – Arson Investigation and making his career goals a reality.

The Phillip L. Turner Scholarship, awarded annually by the Fire Apparatus Manufacturers' Association (FAMA), continues its legacy with the ongoing sponsorship of Akron Brass and Hale Products. Akron Brass, a global leader in high-performance life safety, firefighting, and emergency rescue equipment, has backed the scholarship since 2009. In 2021, Hale Products, known for its superior quality and advanced technology in firefighting equipment, joined this initiative to further enhance its reach and impact. Both Akron Brass and Hale Products, esteemed brands under IDEX Fire & Safety, are committed FAMA members. With a combined legacy of over a century in fire suppression innovation, these brands underscore the importance of education in shaping the future of fire and rescue services.

"As leaders in innovative fire suppression products for more than 100 years, we value the importance of education and its role in leading the next generation in shaping the future of the fire and rescue service. Akron Brass and Hale Products are honored to continue our partnership with FAMA and the Phillip L. Turner scholarship program. We are thrilled to recognize Vincent Orfini as this year's scholarship recipient," said Bill Simmons, President, IDEX Fire & Safety.

FAMA is proud to support Vincent Orfini and wishes him a successful career in the fire service.

### **About FAMA:**

The Fire Apparatus Manufacturers' Association (FAMA) is a non-profit trade association organized in 1946. Members of FAMA are committed to enhancing the quality of the fire apparatus industry and emergency service community through the manufacture and sale of safe, efficient fire apparatus and equipment.