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12/8/22 Press Release:

Heidelberg Township Board of Supervisors and staff are deeply saddened that Station 17, The New Tripoli Fire Company, lost 2 of their own yesterday. Marvin Gruber, 59, and Zachary Paris, 36 made the ultimate sacrifice while bravely fighting a house fire in West Penn Township. We offer our sincerest condolences to their family and friends. We join not only the Emergency Services Community, but our community as a whole in mourning this tremendous loss.

We are grateful for the sacrifices of the brave volunteer firefighters who risk their lives to protect our community. They are there for us in our greatest time of need. As a rural community, we often pool our resources and work together so a loss for a neighboring township is a loss to us all.

We offer our support to New Tripoli Fire Company, Lynn Township and all those affected by this unthinkable tragedy.