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New Board Officers for Home Safety Council include IFSTA Board Member

Newly Elected Officials Will Strengthen the Nonprofit's National Leadership WASHINGTON, DC – The national nonprofit Home Safety Council (HSC) has announced new leadership for its board of directors. Newly appointed are Chief Dennis Compton, chair; Marshall A. Croom, vice chair; and Walter W. Becky II, secretary-treasurer. The officers will serve two-year terms.

"This diverse team brings valuable experience, injury-prevention knowledge, business acumen, and leadership skills to HSC's board," Home Safety Council President Meri-K Appy said. "We welcome the opportunity to advance our mission with the benefit of their wise counsel and oversight."

Chief Dennis Compton, of IFSTA and FPP at OSU, has more than 35 years of fire service, training, and leadership experience. The former Mesa, AZ, fire chief is an author and respected advisor in the fire service and emergency management fields. Dennis is vice chair of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Board of Directors and a member of the George Washington University Homeland Security Policy Institute's Steering Committee.

The HSC is the only national nonprofit organization solely dedicated to preventing home-related injuries that result in nearly 20,000 deaths and 21 million medical visits on average each year. Through national programs, partnerships, and the support of volunteers, HSC educates people of all ages to be safer in and around their homes. The HSC is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization located in Washington, DC.