

**CITY PENSION FUND FOR
FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS
IN THE CITY OF TAMPA**

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Dear Pensioner:

Enclosed for your consideration is a 13th Check Designation of Beneficiary form. Based upon the advice of Board Counsel R. Cohen, the Board of Trustees has adopted a policy (425 A – 13th Check Designation of Beneficiary) that allows a member who does not have an eligible surviving spouse to designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive the member's 13th check benefit should the member pass away between the 13th check eligibility date (October 1) and the date that 13th check is paid (no later than June 30 the following year), provided that a 13th check benefit has been declared by the Board of Trustees and certified by the fund's actuary.

Policy 425A and Frequently Asked Questions are also enclosed for your information. If a member eligible to receive a 13th check benefit has an eligible surviving spouse, then the eligible surviving spouse would receive the 13th check benefit if the member dies before that 13th check is paid. **Please understand that a member's 13th check designation of beneficiary form is effective if and only if there is no eligible surviving spouse on the date of that 13th check distribution.**

The Board of Trustees is pleased to make available another option and greater flexibility to members who do not have eligible surviving spouses. If you are interested in designating a beneficiary or beneficiaries for your 13th check benefit, please complete the form according to the instructions, sign it in the presence of a notary and return it to the pension office at 3001 North Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33603. All members of the F&P Pension Office staff are notaries and can notarize this form for you at no charge. If you have any questions, please call the pension office at (813) 274-8550 or (888) 335-8550 – toll free.

Sincerely,

Patrick S. Lynch
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