

Substitute Resolution No. 12
COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Constitution & By-Laws
Re: Establishment of International Membership
Opportunities Through Global Locals

1 WHEREAS, at the 57th IAFF Convention, the
2 delegates passed Resolution 42 directing the IAFF
3 Executive Board to investigate the development of
4 membership opportunities for international fire
5 fighters; and

6 WHEREAS, since the passage of Resolution 42,
7 the IAFF has received nearly 300 membership
8 inquiries from fire fighters in South America,
9 Europe, Africa, Asia, and Australia, as well as
10 Department of Defense fire fighters serving at
11 overseas installations; and

12 WHEREAS, the IAFF is seen across the world as
13 an international fire service leader, maintaining
14 important relationships with international firefighter
15 unions, and these relationships provide opportunities
16 to promote and expand the IAFF's brand and
17 recognition across the world; and

18 WHEREAS, international membership structures
19 used by other major trade unions centered in the
20 United States and Canada provide successful models
21 that can be used by the IAFF to address the
22 significant international interest in IAFF membership
23 and to expand the IAFF's global reach; therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the IAFF shall establish an
25 "IAFF Global" framework for the purpose of

26 expanding our global reach in education, training,
27 and fire/EMS safety; and be it further
28 RESOLVED, That the mission of IAFF
29 Global shall be to facilitate opportunities in the areas
30 of education, training, and fire/EMS safety for
31 professional firefighters and emergency medical
32 workers outside of the United States and Canada in
33 accordance with applicable laws; and be it further
34 RESOLVED, That IAFF Global shall report to the
35 Executive Board; and be it further
36 RESOLVED, That an update will be presented to
37 the delegates at the 2028 IAFF Convention for
38 review, discussion, and further direction.

Submitted by: IAFF Executive Board

Cost Estimate: **None**

Annual or Perpetual Designation: **N/A**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt

CONVENTION ACTION: