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Senator Jessica Ramos
District 13
Chair, Committee on Labor
New York State Senate

Senator Patrick M. Gallivan
District 59
Senate Minority Whip
Ranking Member, Committee on Labor
New York State Senate

Senator Todd Kaminsky
District 9
New York State Senate

**AIHA Support for Senate Bill 1164A: Worker Heat-Related Illness Protection**

Dear Senators Ramos, Gallivan, and Kaminsky:

AIHA, the association for scientists and professionals committed to preserving and ensuring occupational and environmental health and safety (OEHS), strongly encourages you to swiftly pass Senate Bill 1164A¹. This bill would require the Commissioner of Labor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Health, to establish standards and training requirements to help protect delivery workers from heat-related illnesses. The legislation would also require employers to develop and implement a heat-related illness prevention plan, provide annual training to employees who may be exposed to high heat levels, and maintain records of employee heat-related illnesses and deaths.

AIHA believes that heat is a serious occupational hazard which is often not adequately controlled. As such, we urge you to swiftly pass Senate Bill 1164A. This

bill would make meaningful progress in our efforts to protect New Yorkers from heat-related illnesses.

If you have any questions about AIHA’s support for this legislation or other matters, please contact me at mames@aiha.org or (703) 846-0730.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Mark Ames
Director, Government Relations

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