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(Hillsboro Firefighters to Take Part in Benefit Stair Climb in Seattle)

Three Hillsboro Firefighters will travel to Seattle March 7th to take part in the 19th Annual Scott Stair Climb. This grueling event challenges firefighters from across the country to climb 69 flights of stairs at the Columbia Center (formerly the Bank of America Tower) in the shortest amount of time while wearing their full firefighter gear, boots and air pack. The total ensemble weighs in at about 50 pounds.

The event is a fund raiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society which provides blood-cancer research and patient services. Hillsboro Firefighters Luis Mota, Alia Jennings and Chris Hendryx will face the daunting 788 feet of vertical climb which features 1,311 steps to reach the acclaimed observation deck atop the building. This is one of the largest single day firefighter events in the nation and attracts nearly 14-hundred firefighters from 140 fire service organizations.

The firefighters take pledges and tax-deductible donations for their efforts from any and all donors. If you would like to support the efforts of the Hillsboro Firefighters, you can donate on-line to support the Hillsboro Firefighters' efforts here:

www.llswa.org/site/TR/Events/General?team_id=27330&pg=team&fr_id=1090

For more information on the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, visit: www.lls.org.

For more information about Hillsboro Fire & Rescue, visit www.ci.hillsboro.or.us/fire or call 503-681-6166.

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