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I'm a retired NYPD Detective first responder that had the privilege of speaking today to the committee. I'm also a 3 time Uterine cancer survivor beginning in 2013. I must admit, it is frustrating to see the hoops everyone needs to go through to get this cancer, Endometrial cancer, approved to be certified. When one is dealing with cancer, any cancer, time is of the essence. Im also a first responder who received a letter in Sept 2019 stating my cancer was certified. Another letter having it listed as one of the 4 certified conditions in October 2019, and an award letter in November 2019 from VCF. In February 2020, I received a letter from John Howard, NIOSH stating basically it was a "clerical error". Talk about stress? To be honest, a phone call immediately upon seeing you made a mistake would have been more appropriate and appreciated- and not months later! Today after the meeting I find out it will be at least 6 months before my cancer can "possibly" be approved. This will be over 2 years since the "clerical error" mistake and 7 years since I first began this fight. Let me get back to the facts I believe led up to my cancer. I had many days and hours working the sites, mostly the landfill. Initially we had little or no safety gear. I believe there were some white masks available. There were barges of debris being dropped off at the landfill from the WTC site. Needless to say, constant dust from the transport off barges to landfill. Our vehicles were filthy with dust when we left. Some had the color of their vehicle faded due to the dust. We ate and drank outside with food and drink all laying outside amidst the dust. Weeks into this there was a significant change. We were given boots, full white body coveralls, gloves, face piece masks etc. We were literally "hosed down" before stripping out of all that I mentioned before going home. Our vehicles were all hosed down prior to leaving the site. I already mentioned the portable potties that were constantly being subject to the dust particles. Again it appeared, from a copy of the letter from PBA President to John Howard, NIOSH, Prostate cancer was certified 4 months after the letter was sent requesting certification.