A word to the public,

I was a firefighter in New York City for 21 and 1/2 years. I was one of the people who was called in on that terrible day we all remember as 9/11. I have been on the scene and witnessed tragic results of fires and seen human lives lost or damaged, sometimes forever.
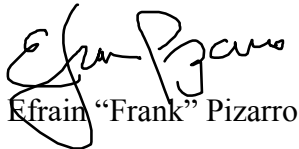
Firefighters know that quick response is the key to reducing loss of life. Working smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors are valuable tools for this. The problem is that maintaining them, especially changing the batteries, is difficult and can even be dangerous for some people. So, a lot of smoke detectors are left disabled. Thousands of people are lost in fires each year because of this.

But I have learned about A United States Patent number 11,170,621 "Smoke Alarm System" which sets the batteries and monitoring buttons on a compartment **on the wall.** This power supply is **remote** from the smoke detector (which must be on the ceiling to work properly.) The remote control also has a warning light and emits a warning sound that makes it easy to determine which smoke detector needs service.

I think this is ideal for people who are elderly, have problems with balance, might have vision limitations, have houses with high ceilings, live alone or just do not want to go up a ladder to keep their smoke detectors working.

In my opinion as a former professional firefighter, the Smoke Alarm System device would be an invaluable asset and a great improvement to home safety. I would like to see this product on the market and available to everyone.

Sincerely,

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