

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 1**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 4, 1999**

I. COMMISSIONER'S UNIT CITATION

On the morning of December 11, 1998, Box 6311 was struck for a fire in the 9 ½ mile Outfall Tunnel at the Deer Island Sewerage Treatment Plant. Upon arrival of the department smoke was showing from the shaft. Project personnel advised the Boston Fire Department that all personnel were out of the tunnel, that no one was in the tunnel when the fire broke out (during shift changes) and they had no idea what was burning. The Boston Fire Department Incident Commander followed Tunnel Mask Incident procedure. Extensive consultations with project engineers were conducted and gas readings were taken. It was determined that the fire should be within 3500' of the shaft. The air supply to the tunnel was shut down in an attempt to allow the fire to self-extinguish. After two hours, the air supply system was reactivated and a light volume of smoke again began to emerge from the shaft. At that time the Boston Fire Department Incident Commander determined that an exploratory entry would be made.

Two tunnel trained entry teams were assembled to enter the tunnel in an attempt to locate the fire. Tunnel Entry Team 1, equipped in accordance with Tunnel Mask Incident S. O. P. # 57, the Cairns Iris and fire extinguishers, descended the 400' shaft and with a Tunnel Mask trained "Loc" operator, proceeded out into the tunnel. There was zero visibility at the base of the shaft and out into the tunnel. The team went to the end of the rail system approximately 1500', and then proceeded another 30' by foot in knee deep mud in an attempt to locate the fire. At that point an infrared scan by the Iris was done for another 150' with negative signs of fire. At that point, the entry team leader, Lieutenant John O'Brien, determined that they had reached their limit and ordered the team to exit the tunnel.

Tunnel Entry Team 1 operated under difficult conditions with an unknown fire burning, a high concentration of smoke and no visibility. They had to rely solely on their training, equipment, experience, self discipline, leadership and one another. They performed this mission in an exemplary manner pushing themselves to the very limit of their training, equipment, and personal stamina. Their commitment and courage in this operation were obvious to all in attendance.

Because of their dedication and professionalism, the Commissioner's Unit Citation shall hereby be awarded to the following members:

Fire Lieutenant John J. O'Brien	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter John A. Smith	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Thomas E. Curtin	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Matthew J. Nihill, Jr.	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Louis B. Grifone	Engine Company 5 (detailed to R-1)

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

THE LAST GENERAL ORDER IN THE 1998 SERIES WAS NO. 46

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 2**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 12, 1999**

**I. FIRE FIGHTER JOHN F. MITCHELL
ENGINE COMPANY 4**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter John F. Mitchell, Engine Company 4, on January 3, 1999. Fire Fighter Mitchell was appointed to the department on February 20, 1991.

The funeral was held from the John J. O'Connor & Son Funeral Home, 740 Adams Street, Dorchester, at 1000 hours, Saturday, January 9, 1999, followed by a Funeral Mass at Saint Brendan's Church, 589 Gallivan Boulevard, Dorchester, at 1100 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Engine Company 4 and Ladder Company 24, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Personnel Division and the Rifle Honor Guard attended the service.

II. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions of Section 7-94A, C32, M.G.L., became effective at 1700 hours, January 4, 1999:

Fire Fighter	
Ronald F. Keenan	Engine Company 32

Fire Fighter Keenan was appointed to the department on February 20, 1991, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

III. RESIGNATION / RETIREMENT

The resignation/retirement of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, January 4, 1999:

Fire Fighter	
Robert C. Peterson	Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Fighter Peterson was appointed to the department on May 1, 1968, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

IV. CITY OF BOSTON EMPLOYEES' CAMPAIGN

As the Chairman of the City of Boston Employees' Campaign this year, I want to express my sincere thanks to all of the members of the department, uniformed and civilian, who contributed to the COBEC Campaign and helped to make it one of the city's best. The department increased its contribution by 50% because of your personal commitment and generosity to this campaign. Overall the city showed an increase of 28% for 1998, with total donations of \$350,775.

A special thanks to Chief of Operations Kevin MacCurtain, Deputy Fire Chief David Granara, Michael Grigalunas, Linda Collins and Joanne Donovan, who coordinated and organized this year's campaign for all city employees. Your enthusiasm, hard work and leadership were the main reasons for the success of this year's COBEC Campaign.

V. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert E. Medico, Engine Company 18, who while off duty on December 21, 1998, helped evacuate the building and assisted in getting the first attack line into the fire building at second alarm box 7442. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 3**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 29, 1999**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, January 31, 1999:

Fire Fighter John F. Carey	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Fighter Thomas J. Fogel	Ladder Company 28
Fire Fighter Thomas M. Hammond	Rescue Company 2
Fire Fighter Henry J. Hudson	Engine Company 49
Fire Fighter Joseph F. Keif	Ladder Company 11
Fire Fighter Marshall R. LeBrun	Engine Company 21
Fire Fighter (Aide to District Chief) Thomas J. Sullivan	Engine Company 42
Fire Fighter Paul F. Zemotel	Ladder Company 28

Fire Fighter Carey was appointed to the department on October 20, 1965. Fire Fighter Fogel was appointed on December 24, 1969. Fire Fighter Hammond was appointed on December 30, 1970. Fire Fighter Hudson was appointed December 30, 1970. Fire Fighter Keif was appointed December 24, 1969. Fire Fighter LeBrun was appointed July 27, 1966. Fire Fighter Sullivan was appointed on December 24, 1969. Fire Fighter Zemotel was appointed on May 1, 1968.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT

The resignation/retirement of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, January 25, 1999:

Fire Fighter Richard W. Kennedy	Personnel/Medical
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Fire Fighter Kennedy was appointed to the department on July 7, 1971, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

IV. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, February 1, 1999:

District Chief Cornelius J. Walsh	District 10	to	District 6
District Chief Gerald J. Graul	Personnel Division	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Captain James D. Bruynell	Engine Co. 51	to	Engine Co. 53
Fire Captain Walter J. Wyse	Engine Co. 50	to	Pers/Medical
Fire Lieutenant John L. Collins	Ladder Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 28
Fire Lieutenant Donald J. Price	Pers/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 17
Fire Lieutenant Donald J. Price	Ladder Co. 17	to	Ladder Co. 18
Fire Lieutenant Patrick J. Murphy	Ladder Co. 16	to	Ladder Co. 7
Fire Lieutenant Martin McCormack	Personnel Division	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Lieutenant Richard K. Callow	Personnel Division	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Lieutenant Gerald Cahill	Pers/Medical	to	Engine Co. 39 (eff. 1/15/99)
Fire Lieutenant Gerald Sparrow	Pers/Medical	to	Engine Co. 32 (eff. 1/20/99)
Fire Lieutenant Frederick J. Famolare	E.M.D.	to	Pers./Medical
Fire Lieutenant Edward J. White	Engine Co. 8	to	Pers/Medical

TRANSFERS (CONTINUED)

Fire Fighter Philip J. Cetrino	Engine Co. 41	to	Ladder Co. 14
Fire Fighter Rhoan N. Dalmar	Ladder Co. 2	to	Fire Prevention Division/Education Unit
Fire Fighter Kevin B. Garry	Personnel Division	to	Ladder Co. 29
Fire Fighter David A. Glover	Pers/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 23 (eff. 1/7/99)
Fire Fighter Thomas M. Hammond	Pers/Medical	to	Rescue Co. 2 (eff. 1/5/99)
Fire Fighter Michael J. McCarthy	Pers/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 14 (eff. 1/5/99)
Fire Fighter James A. White	Pers/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 6 (eff. 1/7/99)
Fire Fighter Waymon Martin	Pers/Medical	to	Engine Co. 32 (eff. 1/11/99)
Fire Fighter Richard Gottwald	Pers/Medical	to	Engine Co. 22 (eff. 1/18/99)
Fire Fighter Lawrence P. O'Donnell	Pers/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 25
Fire Fighter John F. McLaughlin	Pers/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 25 (eff. 1/18/99)
Fire Fighter Anthony Tippet	Pers/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 9
Fire Fighter Kevin B. Garry	Fire Academy	to	Ladder Co. 29
Fire Fighter William F. Twigg	Engine Co. 55 (Aide to DFC)	to	Engine Co. 39 (Aide to DFC)
Fire Fighter Don V. Twigg	Engine Co. 10	to	Pers/Medical
Fire Fighter Edward P. Stokinger	Engine Co. 10	to	Pers/Medical
Fire Fighter Richard J. McDonald	Ladder Co. 29	to	Pers/Medical
Fire Fighter Dennis J. Hogan	Ladder Co. 23	to	Pers/Medical
Fire Fighter Frank C. Rogier, Jr.	Rescue Co. 1	to	Pers/Medical
Fire Fighter John T. Brignoli	Ladder Co. 7	to	Pers/Medical

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 4**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 2, 1999**

**INVESTIGATION & ORDERS UNDER GENERAL LAWS
CHAPTER 148, SECTIONS 4 & 5**

Pursuant to and in the exercise of the power invested in me under the provisions of General Laws, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Special Hazard Police Officer, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Emergency Management Division, and those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, are authorized to do and perform all and singular the acts and things which I, as Head of the Fire Department, by said Chapter 148, Sections 4 & 5, am empowered to do and perform. Specific authority is hereby delegated to the said Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Special Hazard Police Officer, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Emergency Management Division, those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems and Fire Department Inspectors of the Special Projects Division, to make investigations and inspections and to issue orders in writing pursuant to the provisions of said actions.

The above delegations of authority, effective as of January 31, 1999, shall continue in force and effect for a period of one year from the effective date, unless revoked at any time prior thereto. The above delegations of authority are not to diminish nor curtail any of the powers conferred upon me by said General Laws, Chapter 148, Sections 4 & 5.

**INVESTIGATION & ORDERS UNDER ORDINANCES OF 1979 CHAPTER 28, KNOWN
AS BOSTON FIRE PREVENTION CODE**

Pursuant to and in the exercise of the power invested in me under the provisions of said Boston Fire Department Code, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighters Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Special Hazard Police Officer, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Emergency Management Division, those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems and Fire Department Inspectors of the Special Projects Division, are authorized to do and perform all and singular the acts and things which I, as Head of the Fire Department, by said Boston Fire Prevention Code, Section 1.21 & 1.22 am empowered to do and perform. Specific authority is hereby delegated to the said Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plan Examiners, Special Hazard Police Officer,

Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Emergency Management Division and those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, to make investigations and inspections and to issue orders in writing pursuant to the provisions of said Code.

The above delegations of authority, effective as of January 31, 1999, shall continue in force and effect for a period of one year from effective date, unless revoked at any time prior thereto. The above delegations of authority are not to diminish nor curtail any of the powers conferred upon me by said Boston Fire Prevention Code, Sections 1.21 & 1.22.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 5**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 17, 1999**

**I. FIRE FIGHTER JOSEPH R. MURPHY
ENGINE COMPANY 42**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter Joseph R. Murphy, Engine Company 42, Aide to District Fire Chief, District 9, who died in the line of duty on January 29, 1999. Fire Fighter Murphy was appointed to the department on September 4, 1963.

The funeral was held from the John J. O'Connor & Son Funeral Home, 740 Adams Street, Dorchester, at 0900 hours, Wednesday, February 3, 1999, followed by a Funeral Mass at Saint Gregory's Church, 2215 Dorchester Avenue, Dorchester, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of District 9, Engine Company 42 and Rescue Company 2, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Personnel Division and the Honor Guard attended the service.

II. RESIGNATION / RETIREMENT

The resignation/retirement of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, February 2, 1999:

Fire Fighter	
Francis J. Tierney	Rescue Company 1

Fire Fighter Tierney was appointed to the department on January 18, 1978, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

III. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, January 14, 1999:

Fire Fighter	
Shawn K. Adams	Engine Company 4

IV. COMMISSIONER'S UNIT CITATION

On January 5, 1999, at 1110 hours, Box 529 was struck for a building fire at North Beacon and Gordon Streets in District 11.

Ladder Company 26, responding from the quarters of Ladder Company 14, reported heavy smoke from a 2 ½ story wood framed dwelling upon arrival. At this time they were notified by the Boston Police that occupants were trapped on the second floor. Fire Lieutenant Emmet P. Nichols, Jr. observed a male occupant at a second floor window threatening to jump. He ordered the aerial ladder raised to the occupant's position as well as a ground ladder. He and Fire Fighter Joseph Capobianco entered the house and began a primary search of the second floor. They found the semi-conscious man in the rear of the apartment. They brought him to a front window where he was placed on the aerial ladder, removed to the street, and was taken to Saint Elizabeth's Hospital by Boston EMS suffering from smoke inhalation.

Because of their courage, determination and teamwork, the Commissioner's Unit Citation shall hereby be awarded to the following members:

Fire Lieutenant Emmet P. Nichols, Jr.	Ladder Company 26
Fire Fighter Ronald R. Ross	Ladder Company 26
Fire Fighter Robert J. Doyle	Ladder Company 26
Fire Fighter Joseph A. Capobianco	Ladder Company 26
Fire Fighter Eugene Anderson	Engine Company 37 (detailed to L-26)

V. HIGH COMMENDATION

On October 13, 1998, Fire Lieutenant Robert B. Kerrigan, Engine Company 8, while off duty and shopping at Home Depot in Rockland, heard an announcement over the public address system requesting anyone who could perform CPR to report to a certain location within the store. He found a 64 year old man had collapsed on the floor. This man was not breathing and did not have a pulse. He immediately began CPR and continued to do so until the arrival of the Rockland Fire Department.

Because his quick actions undoubtedly saved the man's life, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Lieutenant Robert B. Kerrigan of Engine Company 8, and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

VI. COMMENDATIONS

- 1) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Gregory Fall, G-25, who while responding to a level 2 Haz-mat in Brighton on January 5, 1999, discovered a building fire at 3 Gordon Street, Brighton. He reported this to Fire Alarm and entered the building to ensure all occupants had evacuated. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.
- 2) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter William J. Blackstone, Ladder Company 1, who while off duty on February 1, 1999, assisted Engine Company 32 in running lines at second alarm Box 415. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.
- 3) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Francis W. Kelly, Fire Prevention Division, who on February 1, 1999, assisted Engine Company 4 in running lines at second alarm Box 4188. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Lieutenant Robert Kerrigan	Engine Co. 8	to	Pers./Medical
Fire Lieutenant Gregory Fall	Ladder Co. 24	to	G-25
Fire Lieutenant Charles Parillo	Ladder Co. 16	to	Pers./Medical
Fire Lieutenant Richard J. Splaine	Fire Invest. Unit	to	Pers./Medical
Fire Lieutenant Bartholomew J. Shea	Engine Co. 42	to	Ladder Co. 16
Fire Fighter Dennis Greenwood	Pers./Medical	to	Fire Prev. Div. (eff. 1/2/99)
Fire Fighter Nicholas DiMarino	Pers./Medical	to	Tower Co. (eff. 1/8/99)
Fire Fighter Robert C. Moritz	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 55 (eff. 1/12/99)
Fire Fighter Robert Finn	Pers./Medical	to	Ladder Co. 7 (eff. 1/21/99)
Fire Fighter Monroe Johnson	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 42 (eff. 2/4/99)
Fire Fighter Christopher Corwin	Pers./Medical	to	Ladder Co. 1 (eff. 2/23/99)
Fire Fighter Michael P. McLean	Engine Co. 49	to	Ladder Co. 28
Fire Fighter Edward J. Paris, Jr.	Engine Co. 7	to	Engine Co. 18
Fire Fighter Joseph M. Adduci	Engine Co. 24	to	Engine Co. 18
Fire Fighter Kevin M. Walsh	Engine Co. 41	to	Ladder Co. 14
Fire Fighter Stephan H. Oliveira	Engine Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 41
Fire Fighter Phinazee Brown	Ladder Co. 10	to	Engine Co. 33
Fire Fighter Richard C. Brantley	Engine Co. 55	to	Engine Co. 42
Fire Fighter John P. Dolan	Engine Co. 10	to	Engine Co. 42
Fire Fighter Jeffrey K. Scott	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 4

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter				
Paul J. Bowen	Engine Co. 22	to	Engine Co. 7	
Fire Fighter				
John F. McDonald	Ladder Co. 16	to	Ladder Co. 7	
Fire Fighter				
Joseph E. O'Connor	Ladder Co. 16	to	Ladder Co. 23	
Fire Fighter				
Michael D. Hogan	Engine Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 37	
Fire Fighter				
Hector L. Rodriguez	Engine Co. 51	to	Engine Co. 32	
Fire Fighter				
Edmund L. Keif	Ladder Co. 24	to	Engine Co. 20	
Fire Fighter				
Robert E. Little	Engine Co. 5	to	Engine Co. 3	
Fire Fighter				
Pablo M. DaSilva	Ladder Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 22	
Fire Fighter				
Eric L. Brown	Engine Co. 42	to	Ladder Co. 15	
Fire Fighter				
Francis J. Orlandi	Engine Co. 42	to	Rescue Co. 2	
Fire Fighter				
William J. Hogan	Engine Co. 52	to	Ladder Co. 29	
Fire Fighter				
Kevin M. McCarthy	Engine Co. 56	to	Engine Co. 17	
Fire Fighter				
James A. Harding	Ladder Co. 2	to	Ladder Co. 10	
Fire Fighter				
Robert W. Beals	Engine Co. 8	to	Detail Administration Unit	
Fire Fighter				
Philip J. Doherty, Jr.	Engine Co. 8	to	Detail Administration Unit	
Fire Fighter				
Albert Arroyo	Engine Co. 7	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Edward J. Ivanoski, Jr.	Ladder Co. 29	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
John P. Kelly	Engine Co. 37	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Stephen J. Byrne	Rescue Co. 2	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Calvin Murphy	Ladder Co. 7	to	Pers./Medical	

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter				
Joseph F. Mahoney	Engine Co. 56	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Thomas C. White	Ladder Co. 1	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
James J. Cahill	T. M. R. Division	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Andrew J. Rotondo	Engine Co. 30	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Ronald Carroll	Engine Co. 42	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Wanda Moore	Engine Co. 51	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Michael J. Bernier	Engine Co. 48	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Robert F. Keough	Engine Co. 49	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Stephen W. MacDonald	Engine Co. 28	to	Ladder Co. 10	
Fire Fighter				
James Corbett	Engine Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 53	
Fire Fighter				
Scott D. Wahlen	Engine Co. 51	to	Engine Co. 41	
Fire Fighter				
Lawrence D. Kimble	Engine Co. 51	to	Engine Co. 22	
Fire Fighter				
Frank C. Rogier, Jr.	Pers./Medical	to	Rescue Co. 1 (eff. 2/10/99)	
Fire Fighter				
David Hale	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 24 (eff. 3/1/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Anthony Thompson	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 48 (eff. 3/1/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Andre C. Bridges, Jr.	Ladder Co. 9	to	Fire Prevention Div.	
Fire Fighter				
Barbara A. Marotta	Engine Co. 55	to	T. M. R. Division	
Fire Fighter				
William F. Twigg	Engine Co. 39	to	Engine Co. 10	
	(Aide to Dist. Chief)			

IV. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the members of Engine Company 42, Rescue Company 2 and District 9 for their quick, professional actions and diligent efforts to revive Fire Fighter Joseph R. Murphy on January 29, 1999, with special thanks to Fire Fighter Larry McLaughlin, Rescue Company 2, for his efforts in quarters and in the BEMS ambulance.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 7**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 26, 1999**

I. CORRECTION

The following transfer is hereby rescinded from General Order No. 6, dated February 25, 1999:

Fire Lieutenant

Bartholomew J. Shea Engine Company 42 to Ladder Company 16

II. TRANSFER

The transfer of the following named member will become effective at 0800 hours, March 1, 1999:

Fire Lieutenant

Steven P. Rushton Engine Company 41 to Ladder Co. 16

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 8**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 26, 1999**

**I. FIRE FIGHTER DAVID L. PACKARD
ENGINE COMPANY 48**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter David L. Packard, Engine Company 48, who died in the line of duty on March 16, 1999. Fire Fighter Packard was appointed to the department on December 30, 1970.

The funeral service was held at the George F. Doherty & Sons, Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High Street, Dedham, at 1200 hours, Friday, March 19, 1999.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Engine Company 48 and Ladder Company 28, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Personnel Division and the Honor Guard attended the service.

II. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 1700 hours, March 31, 1999:

Fire Fighter		
Jean V. Dunham	Engine Company 51	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Carl W. Johnson	Ladder Company 29	Special Act 1998, C379, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Robert L. Manerson	Rescue Company 2	S5, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Fighter Dunham was appointed to the department on October 20, 1976. Fire Fighter Johnson was appointed on December 6, 1978. Fire Fighter Manerson was appointed on May 18, 1977.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

III. RESIGNATION / RETIREMENT

The resignation/retirement of the following named member will become effective at 1700 hours, March 31, 1999:

Fire Fighter	
Francis J. Walton, Jr.	Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Fighter Walton was appointed to the department on January 17, 1968, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

IV. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, April 1, 1999:

Fire Captain				
Edward E. McGrady	Engine Co. 2	to	Detail Administration Unit	
Fire Captain				
Frank M. Kodzis	Personnel Division	to	Ladder Co. 9	
Fire Lieutenant				
Robert Kerrigan	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 8 (eff. 3/3/99)	
Fire Lieutenant				
Edward White	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 8 (eff. 2/4/99)	
Fire Lieutenant				
Michael J. Sheehan	Ladder Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 5	
Fire Lieutenant				
Robert F. Santangelo	Engine Co. 4	to	Ladder Co. 24	
Fire Lieutenant				
Paul E. Alfieri	Engine Co. 29	to	Engine Co. 41	
Fire Lieutenant				
Edward L. Fitzpatrick, Jr.	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 16 (eff. 3/8/99)	
Fire Lieutenant				
Robert Goglia	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 9	
Fire Lieutenant				
Robert Goglia	Engine Co. 9	to	G-25 (eff. 3/22/99)	
Fire Lieutenant				
Manuel Arruda	Engine Co. 32	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Lieutenant				
Edward O'Reilly	Engine Co. 39	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Lieutenant				
Gerald Jenkins	Tower Company	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Lieutenant				
Edward Riley	Engine Co. 21	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Lieutenant				
John O'Brien	Rescue Co. 1	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Patricia Donovan	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 3 (eff. 3/24/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Stephen Byrne	Pers./Medical	to	Rescue Co. 2 (eff. 3/15/99)	
Fire Fighter				
James Rodgers	Personnel Division	to	Fire Investigation Unit	
Fire Fighter				
James R. Oliver	Special Projects	to	T. M. R. Division	

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter				
Michael J. Cullen	Engine Co. 42	to	Engine Co. 52	
Fire Fighter				
Edward A. Scigliano	Engine Co. 53	to	Ladder Co. 16	
Fire Fighter				
David G. Krasner	Engine Co. 10	to	Ladder Co. 11	
Fire Fighter				
Dennis P. Hickey	Ladder Co. 6	to	Engine Co. 48	
Fire Fighter				
Stephen A. Holmes	Engine Co. 2	to	Ladder Co. 19	
Fire Fighter				
Joel C. Duke	Engine Co. 20	to	Ladder Co. 19	
Fire Fighter				
Robert E. Little	Engine Co. 3	to	Engine Co. 50	
Fire Fighter				
Michael I. Blackley	Ladder Co. 23	to	Engine Co. 24	
Fire Fighter				
Pablo F. Aquino	Ladder Co. 19	to	Engine Co. 39	
Fire Fighter				
Joseph F. Mahoney	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 56 (eff. 3/22/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Wanda Moore	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 51 (eff. 3/18/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Michael J. Bernier	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 48 (eff. 3/15/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Edward P. Stokinger	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 10 (eff. 3/23/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Ronald P. White	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 29 (eff. 2/23/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Calvin Murphy	Pers./Medical	to	Ladder Co. 7 (eff. 3/5/99)	
Fire Fighter				
Paul Cedorchuk	Ladder Co. 1	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Francis Byron	Engine Co. 14	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Kevin Hardiman	Engine Co. 49	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Harry Huether	Engine Co. 30	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
David Walker	Ladder Co. 4	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Daniel Delgado	Fire Invest. Unit	to	Pers./Medical	

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter				
Richard MacKinnon	Engine Co. 16	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
James Sheehan	Fire Invest. Unit	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
John Repta	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Ricardo Anderson	Ladder Co. 10	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
James White	Pers./Medical	to	Engine Co. 8 (eff. 3/29/99)	
Fire Fighter				
James M. Foley	T. M. R. Division	to	Engine Co. 3	
Fire Fighter				
George B. Cahoon	Ladder Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 24	
Fire Fighter				
James V. Provenzano	C-11	to	Pers./Medical	
Fire Fighter				
Roger N. Denn	Engine Co. 39	to	Engine Co. 39 (Aide to Dist. Chief)	

V. COMMENDATIONS

1) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Hansy Rigueur, Ladder Company 28, who while off duty on March 4, 1999, alerted District 12 to a hazardous condition at 18 Hyde Park Avenue. The building contained gasoline vapors that required evacuation of occupants and his actions prevented a very hazardous incident. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

2) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Edward F. Murphy, Engine Company 51, who while off duty on March 8, 1999, discovered a man laying in the snow outside Twomey Court, South Boston. The man received second and third degree burns to his entire body. Fire Fighter Murphy covered him with snow to relieve the pain until the arrival of apparatus. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 10**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 9, 1999**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours on the dates indicated:

Fire Lieutenant James P. Teed	Engine Company 55	4/14/99
Fire Fighter Walter J. Keating	Engine Company 20	4/30/99

Fire Lieutenant Teed was appointed to the department on August 12, 1970, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on December 15, 1976. Fire Fighter Keating was appointed on January 18, 1967.

Both members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, April 2, 1999:

Data Processing Systems Analyst	Stephanie Long	Headquarters
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III. PROMOTION TO PRINCIPAL FIRE ALARM OPERATOR

The following named member has been promoted to Principal Fire Alarm Operator effective 0800 hours, January 25, 1999:

Senior Fire Alarm Operator	Peter J. Clifford
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IV. PROMOTION TO SENIOR FIRE ALARM OPERATOR

The following named members have been promoted to Senior Fire Alarm Operator effective 0800 hours, January 25, 1999:

Fire Alarm Operator	Joseph F. Brooks
Fire Alarm Operator	Edward F. Byrne

V. COMMENDATIONS

- 1) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighters Torin M. Little and Michael A. Tardivo, Ladder Company 4, who on February 24, 1999, restrained a suspect who was fleeing an MBTA Police Officer after an alleged stabbing in the Dudley MBTA station. This commendation shall be made part of their personnel files.
- 2) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Daniel P. McCarthy, Engine Company 48, who while off duty on March 16, 1999, discovered Fire Fighter David L. Packard, Engine Company 48, lying facedown on the bunkroom floor. Fire Fighter Packard was not breathing and had no pulse. Fire Fighter McCarthy immediately began mouth to mouth resuscitation and was assisted by another fire fighter in starting chest compressions. He continued until other members brought an inhalator and defibrillator from the apparatus and placed them in operation. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.
- 3) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert J. Doyle, Ladder Company 26, who while off duty on March 21, 1999, responded to second alarm box 7814 and assisted the District Chief in the Command Post. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter Ricardo Anderson	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 10 (eff. 4/26/99)
Fire Fighter Richard MacKinnon	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 16 (eff. 4/5/99)
Fire Fighter Edward Ivanoski	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 29 (eff. 4/3/99)
Fire Fighter David Garrett	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 19 (eff. 4/13/99)
Fire Fighter Gerald Miller	Personnel/Medical	to	Rescue Co. 2 (eff. 3/15/99)
Fire Fighter Ronald Carroll	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 42 (eff. 4/18/99)
Fire Fighter Harry Huether	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 30 (eff. 4/12/99)
Fire Fighter John P. Collins	Engine Co. 7	to	Engine Co. 8
Fire Fighter Richard Gottwald	Engine Co. 22	to	Engine Co. 2
Fire Fighter William R. Schomburg	Ladder Co. 26	to	Ladder Co. 23
Fire Fighter William B. O'Sullivan	Engine Co. 24	to	Ladder Co. 23
Fire Fighter Joseph R. Glynn	Engine Co. 32	to	Engine Co. 20
Fire Fighter Dennis J. Hogan	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 6
Fire Fighter Dennis J. Hogan	Ladder Co. 6	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter John Walsh	Ladder Co. 25	to	Engine Co. 53 (Aide to Dist. Chief)

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 12**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 10, 1999**

BOARD OF MERIT

The Board of Merit, consisting of the Fire Commissioner and the Deputy Fire Chiefs, has considered all meritorious acts referred to it during the year 1998. After careful consideration and study, the Board submitted the following recommendations which are hereby approved by the Fire Commissioner:

**1. Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence
Fire Captain Terence A. Koen, Engine Company 33**

Fire Captain Terence A. Koen has demonstrated professionalism, dedication and enthusiasm in many areas which have been of great benefit to Boston Fire Fighters and improved the delivery of services to the people of Boston.

He has used his expertise in Hazardous Materials and Decontamination Procedures to train members of the department. As a member of the Communications Committee he has used his technical knowledge to improve communications and to test and develop systems for containment suits and fire apparatus.

His enthusiasm, love of the fire department and his attention to detail creates a very effective learning environment and the training of members has become an enjoyable and positive experience.

The Board recommends that Fire Captain Terence A. Koen of Engine Company 33 be awarded the Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence.

2. Case of Fire Captain William J. Meyer, Personnel Division

On March 16, 1998, at BankBoston, 100 Federal Street, Boston, a male suspect stole money from a female customer. A male customer attempted to stop the fleeing suspect but was overpowered. While off duty and present as a customer in the bank, upon being informed of this incident, he ran outside in pursuit, tackled the suspect and restrained him until the arrival of bank security guards and the Boston Police.

Because his actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Captain William J. Meyer of the Personnel Division in General Order No. 14 of 1998.

The Board recommends that Fire Captain William J. Meyer of the Personnel Division be awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

3. Case of Fire Lieutenant Leo K. Mahoney, Ladder Co. 19

On May 11, 1998, Engine Company 2 responded to 845 East Fifth Street, South Boston, for a cardiac arrest. Upon arrival they found him performing CPR on Fire Fighter Garrett M. Stapleton of the Fire Brigade. He had been informed by the daughters of Fire Fighter Stapleton of their father's condition. He responded upstairs and began this life saving procedure. At this point, Engine Company 2 hooked up their defibrillator and applied one shock. Boston EMS arrived and applied two additional shocks.

Because of his quick response and efforts to revive Fire Fighter Stapleton, they were able to get a pulse and restore his breathing. The Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Lieutenant Leo K. Mahoney of Ladder Company 19 in General Order No. 19 of 1998.

The Board recommends that Fire Lieutenant Leo K. Mahoney of Ladder Company 19 be awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

4. Case of Fire Captain Peter P. Pearson, Ladder Company 24

On June 2, 1998, while off duty and visiting at a friend's home, he was alerted by a neighbor that there was a fire in the neighbor's house. He ran to the house where he found a garden hose in the back yard. He entered the home into the heavy smoke filled family room where he was able to locate and extinguish the fire without the benefit of protective clothing and before ventilation could be performed.

Because his actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Captain Peter P. Pearson of Ladder Company 24 in General Order No. 20 of 1998.

The Board recommends that Fire Captain Peter P. Pearson of Ladder Company 24 be awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

5. Case of Fire Fighter Kenneth Jones, Engine Company 39

On May 20, 1998, he was summoned from a paid detail in the area to assist a person who had collapsed at the Chart House Restaurant, on Long Wharf, Boston. He found an elderly woman on the second floor in cardiac arrest. He initiated CPR and continued unassisted until the arrival of apparatus and then assisted with defibrillation procedures.

Because of his dedicated actions, this woman can be counted as a survivor and the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Kenneth Jones of Engine Company 39 in General Order No. 20 of 1998.

The Board recommends that Fire Fighter Kenneth Jones of Engine Company 39 be awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

6. Case of Fire Lieutenant Robert B. Kerrigan, Engine Company 8

On October 13, 1998, while off duty and shopping at the Home Depot in Rockland, he went to the aid of a retired 64 year old Weymouth Police Officer who had collapsed nearby. His initial survey revealed no pulse and no breathing. He immediately began CPR until the arrival of the Rockland Fire Department and continued until they successfully defibrillated the man.

Because of his actions the man has since had cardiac surgery and has made a complete recovery, and the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Lieutenant Robert B. Kerrigan of Engine Company 8 in General Order No. 5 of 1999.

The Board recommends that Fire Lieutenant Robert B. Kerrigan of Engine Company 8 be awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

7. Case of Fire Fighter George S. Thibodeaux, Engine Company 4

On May 27, 1998, at 1645 hours, Box 3115 was struck for a building fire at 24 Hamilton Street, Dorchester. While off duty and before the arrival of apparatus, under heavy smoke and fire conditions, he entered the fire building and assisted several occupants to safety. This fire went to three alarms and damaged five buildings.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter George S. Thibodeaux of Engine Company 4 in General Order No. 24 of 1998.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter George S. Thibodeaux of Engine Company 4 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

8. Case of Fire Fighter John F. Linnell, Ladder Company 17

On July 15, 1998, at a building fire at 40 Dwight Street, South End, while performing roof ventilation, he was alerted that a woman was trapped on the third floor. He slid down the mansard part of the roof to the third floor ledge where he broke a window to gain entry. He entered the room which was charged with heavy smoke and found the unconscious woman on the floor. He carried her to the window, where assisted by another fire fighter, they removed her to the street.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter John F. Linnell of Ladder Company 17 in General Order No. 26 of 1998.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter John F. Linnell of Ladder Company 17 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

9. Case of Fire Fighter Francis G. Clines, Ladder Company 24

On July 15, 1998, at a building fire at 40 Dwight Street, South End, while ascending the aerial ladder to assist in roof ventilation, he observed a woman trapped inside the third floor. He climbed off the ladder and onto the third floor ledge where he was assisted by another fire fighter. They entered the smoke filled room and lifted the unconscious woman out of the room to the ledge where she was carried down to safety.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Francis G. Clines of Ladder Company 24 in General Order No. 26 of 1998.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Francis G. Clines of Ladder Company 24 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

10. Case of Fire Lieutenant Richard M. Quinlan, Ladder Company 17

On July 15, 1998, at a building fire at 40 Dwight Street, South End, a large volume of fire erupted from the first floor and at the same time a man appeared at a third floor window unable to escape. He ascended a ground ladder above this heavy fire to effect the rescue of this man who was now hanging onto the window ledge and about to drop to the ground. He was able to reach over and grab the man from the ledge, placed him on the ladder and guided him down to the street.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Lieutenant Richard M. Quinlan of Ladder Company 17 in General Order No. 26 of 1998.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Lieutenant Richard M. Quinlan of Ladder Company 17 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

11. Case of Fire Fighter Kevin G. Mitchell, Ladder Company 17

On August 7, 1998, at a building fire at 536 Commonwealth Avenue, Kenmore Square, as he ascended the aerial ladder he observed a woman in a fourth floor window engulfed in heavy smoke. As he was taking her on the aerial ladder, fire broke out from windows directly below them. He put her back through the window and led her to an interior stairway. Unable to use the stairway because of heat and a heavy smoke condition, they returned to the window where the heavy fire below them was knocked down. He then placed her on the aerial ladder and guided her safely to the ground.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Kevin G. Mitchell of Ladder Company 17 in General Order No. 41 of 1998.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Kevin G. Mitchell of Ladder Company 17 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

12. Case of Fire Fighter Thomas Flynn, Ladder Company 24

On October 17, 1998, on the Charles River, Back Bay, he donned a flotation suit and swam 400 feet to an unconscious woman who was floating under the Longfellow Bridge. With difficulty and the assistance of Fire Fighter Edward Loder, they placed her in a boat and performed CPR. He was transported to the hospital and treated for the effects of the cold water and exhaustion.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Thomas Flynn of Ladder Company 24 in General Order No. 41 of 1998.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Thomas Flynn of Ladder Company 24 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

13. Case of Fire Fighter Edward T. Loder, Rescue Company 1

On October 17, 1998, on the Charles River, Back Bay, he donned a flotation suit and swam 400 feet to an unconscious woman who was floating under the Longfellow Bridge. With difficulty and the assistance of Fire Fighter Thomas Flynn, they placed her in a boat and performed CPR. He was transported to the hospital and treated for the effects of the cold water and exhaustion.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Edward T. Loder of Rescue Company 1 in General Order No. 41 of 1998.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Edward T. Loder of Rescue Company 1 be placed on the Roll of Merit

14. Case of Fire Fighter Eugene B. Fortes, Engine Company 51 (Detailed to Ladder Company 11)

On April 30, 1998, at a building fire at 14 Colbourne Road, Brighton, he observed heavy smoke pushing from an apartment door on the third floor. He made forced entry and assisted in removing a man from the floor. Shortly after closing the apartment door, the room flashed over. This rescue was performed prior to ventilation and without the protection of a charged line.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Eugene B. Fortes of Engine Company 51, detailed to Ladder Company 11, in General Order No. 19 of 1998.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Eugene B. Fortes of Engine Company 51, detailed to Ladder Company 11, be placed on the Roll of Merit.

15. Case of Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Connolly, Ladder Co. 11

On April 30, 1998, upon arrival at a building fire at 14 Colbourne Road, Brighton, he was informed of a man trapped in an apartment that was on fire. He ordered forced entry to the third floor apartment door and was able to open it enough to squeeze through. Upon entering the room he had to drop to the floor because of extreme heat and smoke. The trapped man's body was wedged against the door. In order to remove him, he closed the door behind him and moved the man away from the doorway. Once this was done, he reopened the door and was assisted by another firefighter in removing the man to the hallway. Shortly after he closed the apartment door the room flashed over.

Because these actions were performed at extreme personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Connolly of Ladder Company 11 in General Order No. 19 of 1998.

The Board recommends that Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Connolly of Ladder Company 11 be awarded the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for the Most Meritorious Act.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 13**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 10, 1999**

120TH ANNUAL BALL AND AWARDS CEREMONY

The 120th Annual Ball and Awards Ceremony of the Boston Fire Department will be held Friday evening, May 14, 1999, at the Westin Hotel, 10 Huntington Avenue, Boston.

The Fire Commissioner and the Officers of the Relief Fund have given considerable time and thought in preparing a program that will be interesting and enjoyable for all.

Insofar as the proceeds from this event are used for the assistance of department members, past and present, the Fire Commissioner requests all off duty members to attend this function.

It is your organization. Help support it.

ADMISSION WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY.

PROGRAM

2000 hours	General Admission
2030 hours	Grand March
2035 hours	National Anthem Frederick Tenaglia
2040 hours	Invocation by Reverend Daniel Reason Chaplain, Boston Fire Department
2045 hours	Greetings by the President of the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund, District Fire Chief James W. McNamara, District 8 Martin E. Pierce, Jr., Fire Commissioner Thomas M. Menino, Mayor, City of Boston Master of Ceremonies Paul T. Hynes, Esq.

Presentation of the Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence to

Fire Captain
Terence A. Koen

Engine Company 33

Presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to

Fire Captain William J. Meyer	Personnel Division
Fire Lieutenant Leo K. Mahoney	Ladder Company 19
Fire Fighter Kenneth Jones	Engine Company 39
Fire Captain Peter P. Pearson	Ladder Company 24
Fire Lieutenant Robert B. Kerrigan	Engine Company 8

Presentation of the Roll of Merit to

Fire Fighter George S. Thibodeaux	Engine Company 4
Fire Fighter John F. Linnell	Ladder Company 17
Fire Fighter Francis G. Clines	Ladder Company 24
Fire Lieutenant Richard M. Quinlan	Ladder Company 17
Fire Fighter Kevin G. Mitchell	Ladder Company 17
Fire Fighter Thomas Flynn	Ladder Company 24
Fire Fighter Edward T. Loder	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Eugene B. Fortes	Engine Company 51 (Detailed to Ladder Company 11)

**Presentation of the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for the Most Meritorious Act
and the Boston Fire Commissioner's Award to**

Fire Lieutenant
Robert J. Connolly Ladder Company 11

Presentation of the Medal of Valor to

The Family of Fire Fighter Joseph R. Murphy, Engine Company 42
&
The Family of Fire Fighter David L. Packard, Engine Company 48

Boston Fire Department District Fire Chief Richard DiBenedetto
Acappella Group Fire Captain Michael Ruggere
 Fire Lieutenant Richard Powers
 Fire Lieutenant Nicholas Tranghese

Memorial Prayer Reverend Daniel Mahoney
 Chief Chaplain, Boston Fire Department

Drawings Grand Prize
 Belknap Memorial Award
 Staples Scholarship Awards
 Vendome Memorial Awards
 Boston Ambulance Squad Award

Dancing Blue Soul

Award recipients will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 14, 1999, to 0800 hours, May 15, 1999.

The Grand March will be under the direction of Floor Marshal Richard D. Reynolds (Fire Fighter - Retired). The Honor Guard will be under the direction of Fire Fighter Charles D. Sudhalter.

The Honor Guard working Group 3 will be excused from duty from 1800 hours, May 14, 1999, to 0800 hours, May 15, 1999.

The Relief Fund Office will be closed all day, Friday, May 14, 1999.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 15**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 24, 1999**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, May 31, 1999:

District Fire Chief

Joseph A. Russell

District 1

Fire Lieutenant

Edward T. Riley

Engine Company 21

District Fire Chief Russell was appointed to the department on January 18, 1961, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on October 18, 1966, to Fire Captain on July 10, 1970, and to District Fire Chief on May 4, 1977. Fire Lieutenant Riley was appointed to the department on January 18, 1967, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on September 20, 1972.

Both members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following named member will be promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Emergency Management Division effective 0800 hours, June 2, 1999:

Fire Captain

Douglas W. Smith

Personnel Division

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named member will be promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Fire Prevention Division effective 0800 hours, June 2, 1999:

Fire Lieutenant

John M. Gallagher

Engine Company 10

IV. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, May 5, 1999:

Fire Fighter

Joseph R. Wilson

Ladder Company 9

V. PROMOTIONS TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members will be promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Fire Prevention Division effective 0800 hours, June 2, 1999:

Fire Fighter	
Michael P. Dillon	Engine Company 42
Fire Fighter	
Charles J. Papineau	Ladder Company 26

VI. APPOINTMENT OF FIRE ALARM OPERATORS

The following named members were permanently appointed Fire Alarm Operators effective 0800 hours, on the dates indicated:

Sheila C. Lyons	04/28/99
Jean A. Gottwald-Pijanowski	04/28/99
David C. Marshall	04/28/99
Francis X. Sullivan	05/05/99

VII. MEMORIAL SUNDAY

The One Hundred and Sixth Anniversary of Firemen's Memorial Sunday will be held on Sunday, June 13, 1999. Reverend Daniel Mahoney, Boston Fire Department Chaplain, will conduct the ceremonies at Forest Hills Cemetery at 0930 hours. Fire Fighter Leo Hughes, President, Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department, will be Chief Marshal. George D. Miller, President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Fire Protection Association, will be Orator of the day.

Trustees of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department and the Boston Fire Department Honor Guard will report to Deputy Fire Chief Robert Dunderdale at the archway via the Morton Street entrance at 0915 hours. Regulation uniform - sack coat, short sleeve shirt, black tie, regulation trousers, black shoes, dress cap and white gloves will be worn.

The Fire Commissioner earnestly urges all off duty members to make every effort to attend these services. Members of Headquarters, Personnel, Special Projects, Emergency Management, Fire Prevention and Training Maintenance and Research Divisions will attend.

A Catholic Mass will be celebrated at the Forsyth Chapel, Forest Hills Cemetery, by Reverend Daniel Mahoney before the Memorial Service at 0830 hours for all who wish to attend.

VIII. HIGH COMMENDATION

On April 7, 1999, while working a paid detail in District 4, Fire Fighter James K. Cheatham was notified of an automobile accident in that vicinity. He approached a vehicle and observed an unconscious person inside. He immediately performed a primary medical survey and discovered the man did not have a pulse. He notified Fire Alarm by radio to send emergency units to the scene. He then began CPR and was assisted by a nurse from Boston Medical Center. They continued CPR until the arrival of apparatus. Fire Fighter Cheatham assisted in placing the defibrillator on the patient. They shocked the patient twice and were able to establish a pulse. EMS arrived and transported the man to the hospital.

Because his actions undoubtedly saved the man's life, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter James K. Cheatham of Ladder Company 17, and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

IX. COMMISSIONER'S UNIT CITATION

On the morning of January 7, 1999, Engine Company 7 and Ladder Company 15 responded to an automobile accident at 257 Stuart Street.

Upon arrival they found an elderly woman was pinned beneath the rear dual wheels of a dumpster removal truck. The members immediately assisted Boston EMS with stabilizing the victim and also provided care to the truck driver after he observed what had happened.

District 4 and Rescue Company 1 arrived and District 4 ordered the Collapse Unit to the scene. The members of Rescue Company 1, assisted by members of Engine Company 7 and Ladder Company 15, placed a 25 ton jack under the rear axle and two (2) 70 ton air bags under the truck's frame in front of the wheels. The surgeon on scene then gave word to start the jacking operation. This operation lifted the tires off the woman's legs and she was extricated. After this operation was completed, G-25 along with H-3 and members of Engine Company 7 and Ladder Company 15, started decon operations on members who were exposed to possible bio-hazards and the clean up of the surrounding area.

Because of the horrific nature of this accident and their dedication and professionalism, the Commissioner's Unit Citation shall hereby be awarded to the following members:

Fire Fighter Seniorman Derek M. McMillan	Engine Company 7
Fire Fighter John C. DuBeau	Engine Company 7
Fire Fighter John Merlino	Ladder Company 17 (detailed to E-7)
Fire Fighter George A. Gilchrist	Engine Company 22 (detailed to E-7)

Fire Fighter Seniorman Richard H. Graham	Ladder Company 15
Fire Fighter Herman A. Cook	Ladder Company 15
Fire Fighter Stephen M. Montoya	Ladder Company 15
Fire Fighter Joseph Shea	Ladder Company 15
Fire Fighter Kenneth J. Hayes	Ladder Company 15
Fire Lieutenant Gerard F. Shea	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Edward T. Loder	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Robert J. Culbert	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter John L. Cetrino	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Paul T. Capeless	Rescue Company 1
Fire Lieutenant Gregory Fall	G-25
Fire Fighter Richard A. Powers	H-3
Fire Fighter Stephen J. Cummings	Tower Company (detailed to Collapse Unit)
District Fire Chief William W. Hayhurst	District 4
Fire Fighter Reynolds A. Shepherd	Aide to District 4

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 17**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 27, 1999**

I. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, June 1, 1999:

District Fire Chief James W. McNamara	Personnel/Medical	to	District 8
District Fire Chief Richard L. Hartnett	Personnel/Medical	to	District 1
District Fire Chief David R. Mager	Personnel Division	to	District 1
Fire Captain Walter J. Wyse	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 50
Fire Captain Daniel Chisholm	Ladder Co. 29	to	Engine Co. 21
Fire Lieutenant William P. Kenneally	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 26
Fire Lieutenant Manuel J. Arruda	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 32 (eff. 5/4/99)
Fire Lieutenant Edward T. O'Reilly	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 39
Fire Lieutenant Thomas J. Carey	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Lieutenant John J. O'Brien	Personnel/Medical	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Lieutenant Charles M. Parillo	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 16
Fire Lieutenant Frederick J. Famolare	Personnel/Medical	to	Emergency Management Div.
Fire Lieutenant Richard J. Splaine	Personnel/Medical	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Lieutenant Gregory J. Fall	G-25	to	Engine Co. 29
Fire Lieutenant Edward Bergdoll	Personnel Division	to	G-25
Fire Lieutenant Richard K. Callow	Engine Co. 49	to	Engine Co. 4
Fire Lieutenant Joseph R. Wilson	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 51
Fire Lieutenant Francis J. Brown	Ladder Co. 23	to	Engine Co. 55

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter Paul J. Cedorchuk	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 1
Fire Fighter Brian M. McEachern	Personnel/Medical	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter Thomas F. McGovern	Personnel/Medical	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter Dennis J. Hogan	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 6 (eff. 5/10/99)
Fire Fighter Don V. Twiggs	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 10 (eff. 5/12/99)
Fire Fighter Scott R. Jacobs	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 4
Fire Fighter Robert F. Keough	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 49 (eff. 5/12/99)
Fire Fighter John J. Bottary	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 30
Fire Fighter Thomas L. Finn	Personnel/Medical	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Fighter Richard J. McDonald	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 29
Fire Fighter James A. O'Sullivan	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 14
Fire Fighter Albert Arroyo	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 7
Fire Fighter George H. Clark	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 14
Fire Fighter Franklin A. Lawrence	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 52 (eff. 5/18/99)
Fire Fighter Edward J. McLaughlin	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 56
Fire Fighter Andrew J. Rotondo	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 30
Fire Fighter Thomas C. White	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 1
Fire Fighter Kenneth Jones	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 39 (eff. 5/10/99)
Fire Fighter Samuel L. Jones, Jr.	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 3
Fire Fighter John P. Kelly	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 37

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter Kevin F. McNiff	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 18
Fire Fighter Garrett M. Stapleton	Personnel/Medical	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter Daniel Delgado	Personnel/Medical	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter John T. Brignoli	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 7
Fire Fighter Francis Byron	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 14
Fire Fighter Thomas E. Denehy	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 23
Fire Fighter Mark Boyd	Personnel/Medical	to	Tower Company
Fire Fighter James J. Cahill	Personnel/Medical	to	T. M. R. Division
Fire Fighter Robert C. Cox	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 29
Fire Fighter Thomas Farrell	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 18
Fire Fighter Kevin Hardiman	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 49
Fire Fighter Bernard Harper	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Fighter Francis C. Prendergast	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 52
Fire Fighter Thomas W. McKernan	Personnel/Medical	to	Engine Co. 29
Fire Fighter John J. Fogarty	Personnel/Medical	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter John F. Repta	Personnel/Medical	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Fighter James M. Sheehan	Personnel/Medical	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter Thomas Flynn	Ladder Co. 24	to	Ladder Co. 1
Fire Fighter Paul V. Hoban	Ladder Co. 23	to	Ladder Co. 1
Fire Fighter Robert P. Bullock	Engine Co. 55	to	Engine Co. 55 (Aide to District Chief)

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter Paul J. Cahill	Engine Co. 37	to	Ladder Co. 26
Fire Fighter Val G. Piazza	Engine Co. 14	to	Engine Co. 20
Fire Fighter Andre C. Bridges	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Ladder Co. 9
Fire Fighter Paul D. Gillis	Ladder Co. 11	to	Engine Co. 7
Fire Fighter Corey L. Crosson	Engine Co. 37	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter William M. Gillis	Ladder Co. 15	to	Fire Investigation Unit

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 18**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 24, 1999**

**I. RADIO OPERATOR JOHN M. WELBY
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Radio Operator John M. Welby, Emergency Management Division, on June 9, 1999. Radio Operator Welby was appointed to the department on July 18, 1990.

The funeral was held from the F. J. Higgins Funeral Home, 4236 Washington Street, Roslindale, at 0900 hours, Monday, June 14, 1999, followed by a Funeral Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 169 Cummins Highway, Roslindale, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of the Personnel Division, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Emergency Management Division, Special Projects Division, and the Honor Guard attended the service.

**II. FIRE LIEUTENANT FRANCIS J. MANNING
ENGINE COMPANY 24**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Lieutenant Francis J. Manning, Engine Company 24, on June 15, 1999. Fire Lieutenant Manning was appointed to the department on May 1, 1968.

The funeral was held from the James A. Murphy & Son Funeral Home, 1020 Dorchester Avenue, Dorchester, at 0900 hours, Saturday, June 19, 1999, followed by a Funeral Mass at Saint William's Church, 1048 Dorchester Avenue, Dorchester, at 1000 hours.

**III. FIRE FIGHTER FRANKLIN A. O'LEARY
ENGINE COMPANY 50**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter Franklin A. O'Leary, Engine Company 50, on June 17, 1999. Fire Fighter O'Leary was appointed to the department on October 30, 1974.

The funeral was held from the Murphy & Turnbull Funeral Home, 322 Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown, at 1000 hours, Monday, June 21, 1999, followed by a Funeral Mass at Saint Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown, at 1100 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Engine Company 50, Divisions 1 and 2, Personnel Division, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Emergency Management Division, Special Projects Division, and the Honor Guard attended the service.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 19**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 28, 1999**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, July 2, 1999:

Fire Lieutenant James J. Ochs	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter Chester P. Daiute	Engine Company 18

Fire Lieutenant Ochs was appointed to the department on January 18, 1967, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on December 18, 1974. Fire Fighter Daiute was appointed to the department on July 7, 1971.

Both members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective at 0900 hours, June 14, 1999:

Fire Fighter John L. Daniels	Engine Company 4
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III. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, July 1, 1999:

Fire Captain William J. Meyer	Ladder Co. 2	to	Ladder Co. 29
Fire Lieutenant Gerald L. Jenkins	Tower Company	to	Ladder Co. 23
Fire Lieutenant Michael P. Dillon	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Engine Co. 9
Fire Lieutenant Paul F. Souza	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 21
Fire Lieutenant William F. McCarthy	Engine Co. 7	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Lieutenant Joseph M. Casey	Ladder Co. 19	to	Personnel/Medical

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Fire Fighter Luis Gonzalez	Engine Co. 28	to	Emergency Management Div.
Fire Fighter Herman Cook	Ladder Co. 15	to	Special Projects (eff. 6/1/99)
Fire Fighter David Walker	Personnel/Medical	to	Ladder Co. 4 (eff. 4/5/99)
Fire Fighter John R. Berthiaume	Engine Co. 29	to	Engine Co. 41
Fire Fighter Kenneth L. Alicea	Engine Co. 5	to	Engine Co. 4
Fire Fighter Hector Cintron	Engine Co. 4	to	Ladder Co. 24
Fire Fighter Thomas J. Scanlan	Engine Co. 29	to	Ladder Co. 11
Fire Fighter Alston Allen	Engine Co. 10	to	Engine Co. 32
Fire Fighter Chester P. Daiute	Marine Unit	to	Engine Co. 18
Fire Fighter Brian M. McEachern	Marine Unit	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Edward J. McLaughlin	Engine Co. 56	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Andrew J. Rotondo	Engine Co. 30	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter William R. MacDonald	Ladder Co. 28	to	Engine Co. 55 (Aide to District Chief)

IV. COMMENDATIONS

- 1) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Michael P. Diorio, Engine Company 48, who while off duty on May 12, 1999, assisted in hooking up and running lines at second alarm box 3743. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.
- 2) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Joseph F. Hourihan, Aide to District One, and Fire Fighter Paul P. Ristino, Aide to District 12, who while off duty on June 12, 1999, assisted Boston companies in running feeder and attack lines at a four alarm fire in Chelsea. This commendation shall be made part of their personnel files.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 20**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JULY 23, 1999**

I. RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT

The resignation/retirement of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, July 9, 1999:

Fire Fighter
Robert E. Marlowe Fire Prevention Division

Fire Fighter Marlowe was appointed to the department on May 20, 1964, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective at 0930 hours, July 15, 1999:

Fire Fighter
James E. Lay, Jr. Fire Prevention Division

III. PROMOTIONS TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Divisions listed below effective 0800 hours, July 7, 1999:

Fire Fighter

Stephen W. Keogh Engine Company 52 to Personnel Division

Fire Fighter

Rodney O. Marshall Engine Company 33 to Fire Prevention Division

IV. HIGH COMMENDATIONS

On April 26, 1999, while off duty at a health club in Norwood, Fire Fighter David S. Lang, Fire Brigade, was notified of a fire in the building. Upon investigation he found a smoke condition in the basement locker area and heavy fire in the sauna area. After being assured all people were out of the basement, he located a water extinguisher and attempted to control the fire. The smoke condition became untenable, which forced him to back out of this location. At this time he fell and fractured his leg but continued to direct Norwood fire fighters to the area of the fire, which they then extinguished.

Because his actions were performed under rapidly deteriorating conditions before adequate ventilation, without benefit of personal safety equipment and under great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter David S. Lang, Fire Brigade, and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

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HIGH COMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

On May 11, 1999, while on vacation in Aruba, Fire Fighter John Merlino, Ladder Company 17, heard cries from the beach of a person drowning. He responded and found a 70 year old man face down in three feet of water. He pulled the unconscious man to the shore with the help of another vacationing fire fighter from Michigan. The victim, a retired Massachusetts State Police Officer, had no detectable pulse or respiration and his skin was blue. They immediately started CPR and continued for fifteen minutes before he began to breathe on his own. About five minutes after this an "ambulance", which was a cargo van without oxygen, arrived and transported the man to a hospital.

Because his actions saved the retired trooper's life, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter John Merlino of Ladder Company 17, and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

V. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend District Fire Chief Robert M. Winston, District 8, who while off duty on May 22, 1999, assisted in extinguishing a building fire in Topsham, Vermont. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 21**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JULY 28, 1999**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions of Section 7-94, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, July 31, 1999:

Fire Fighter (Aide to District Chief) John J. Doyle	Engine Company 7
Fire Fighter Frank E. Hawe	Ladder Company 1
Fire Fighter Matthew J. Hendrickson	Rescue Company 2

Fire Fighter Doyle was appointed to the department on January 17, 1968. Fire Fighter Hawe was appointed to the department on March 19, 1975. Fire Fighter Hendrickson was appointed to the department on May 17, 1972.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective 0800 hours, August 1, 1999:

Fire Captain Michael O. Celona Fire Captain	Engine Co. 32	to	Ladder Co. 2
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Thomas C. Scavitto Fire Lieutenant	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Personnel/Medical
Ronald A. Harrington Fire Lieutenant	Engine Co. 48	to	Tower Company
Mark J. O'Brien Fire Lieutenant	Engine Co. 48	to	Engine Co. 53
Joseph T. McDonnell Fire Lieutenant	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 7
Paul D. Lucas Fire Lieutenant	T. M. R. Division	to	Ladder Co. 19
Edward P. Joyce Fire Lieutenant	Ladder Co. 25	to	Marine Unit
Dennis A. MacDonald Fire Lieutenant	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 24
Stephen W. Keogh Fire Lieutenant	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 49

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TRANSFERS (CONTINUED)

Fire Lieutenant Frederick J. Famolare	Emer. Mgmt. Div.	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Rumsis	Emer. Mgmt. Div.	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Ronald G. Down	Engine Co. 3	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter James A. O'Sullivan	Ladder Co. 14	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter James M. Sheehan	Fire Investigation Unit	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter David G. Krasner	Ladder Co. 11	to	Engine Co. 10
Fire Fighter Steven B. Teixeira	Engine Co. 50	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter Stephen P. Orsini	Engine Co. 7	to	Engine Co. 4
Fire Fighter Ronald W. Davis	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Engine Co. 20
Fire Fighter David Seaver	Engine Co. 30	to	Ladder Co. 6
Fire Fighter Wilfredo Pacheco	Engine Co. 48	to	Ladder Co. 28

Fire Fighter Gerard H. Leahy	Tower Company	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter Lawrence Crosby	Engine Co. 39	to	Emer. Mgmt. Div.
Fire Fighter Stephen K. Morrison	Engine Co. 50	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter John H. Reed	Engine Co. 3	to	Marine Unit

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 22**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
AUGUST 18, 1999**

HEARING ON CHARGES

At a hearing granted to Fire Fighter Ronald R. Ross, Ladder Company 26, before the Fire Commissioner's designated hearing officers at Boston Fire Department Headquarters, 115 Southamptton Street, Boston, on August 12, 1999, he has been found guilty of the following charge preferred against him:

Charge: Violation of Rule 18.44 (o)
 Rules and Regulations of the
 Boston Fire Department

Because of the foregoing violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Boston Fire Department, the member's past performance, the seriousness of the charge, and uniform application of the department's progressive discipline code, he is hereby suspended from his position, without pay, for thirty days effective 0800 hours, August 17, 1999, and continuing to 0800 hours, September 16, 1999.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 23**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
AUGUST 27, 1999**

**I. FIRE LIEUTENANT RICHARD D. MINGOLELLI
LADDER COMPANY 10**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Lieutenant Richard D. Mingoelli, Ladder Company 10, who died on August 6, 1999. Fire Lieutenant Mingoelli was appointed to the department on October 30, 1985.

The funeral was held from the Lehman and Reen Funeral Home, 63 Chestnut Hill Avenue, Brighton, at 0900 hours, Monday, August 9, 1999, followed by a Funeral Mass at Saint Gabriel's Church, 139 Washington Street, Brighton, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Ladder Company 10, Engine Company 28, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Personnel Division and the Honor Guard attended the service.

II. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 1700 hours, August 31, 1999:

Fire Captain		
Jean A. Pillard	Engine Company 17	S7, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Lieutenant		
Andrew K. Kennedy	Rescue Company 2	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Anthony J. Itri	Ladder Company 19	S7, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Dennis J. Walsh	T. M. R. Division	S5, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Lieutenant	Charles W. Bellew	Engine Co. 30	to	Ladder Co. 25
Fire Lieutenant	Norman A. Hayes	Engine Co. 48, Gr. 2	to	Engine Co. 48, Gr. 4
Fire Lieutenant	Charles J. Papineau	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Fighter	Daniel C. Smith	Engine Co. 32	to	Engine Co. 50

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Fire Fighter	George R. Duclos	Engine Co. 10	to	Tower Co.
Fire Fighter	Eddie Echevarria	Engine Co. 20	to	Tower Co.
Fire Fighter	Ronald W. Davis	Engine Co. 20	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Fighter	Thomas V. Walsh, Jr.	Engine Co. 3	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Bartholomew Folan	Engine Co. 4 (Aide to Dist. Chief)	to	Engine Co. 50
Fire Fighter	James V. Sullivan	Headquarters Div. (Aide to Fire Commissioner)	to	T. M. R. Division
Fire Fighter	Eugene Anderson	Engine Co. 37 (Aide to Dist. Chief)	to	Headquarters Division (Aide to Fire Commissioner)

X. COMMENDATIONS

- 1) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter on Probation Neal A. Mullane, Jr., Ladder Company 23, who while off duty on June 8, 1999, observed smoke from the third floor of 128 G Street, South Boston. He entered the building and assisted occupants to the street prior to the arrival of apparatus. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

- 2) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Michael T. Higgins, Ladder Company 1, who while off duty on July 7, 1999, assisted and stabilized a motor vehicle accident victim in Foxborough until the arrival of apparatus. The victim was ultimately transported to a trauma center by Foxborough Fire and Rescue. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

- 3) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Dennis L. Keeley, Fire Prevention Division, who while driving through Uphams Corner on August 4, 1999, came across an automobile fire at 500 Columbia Road. He notified Fire Alarm via his department radio and maintained a safe area around the vehicle until the arrival of a

apparatus. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

4) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Paul F. Souza, Engine Company 53, who while off duty on June 27, 1999, discovered a building fire in Rockland. He noticed there were cars in the driveway of this home and assuming someone could be in the house, he entered and searched until the rapidly progressing fire drove him outside. Fortunately, no one was home. He remained on the scene to explain what he had found upon arrival of the State Fire Marshal's Office. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

HEARING ON CHARGES

At a hearing granted to Fire Fighter Edmund L. Keif, Engine Company 20, before the Fire Commissioner's designated hearing officers at Boston Fire Department Headquarters, 115 Southamptton Street, Boston, on August 30, 1999, he has been found guilty of the following charge preferred against him:

Charge: Violation of Rule 18.44 (f)
 Rules and Regulations of the
 Boston Fire Department

Because of the foregoing violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Boston Fire Department, the member's past performance, the seriousness of the charge, and uniform application of the department's progressive discipline code, he is hereby suspended from his position, without pay, for six weeks effective 0800 hours, September 4, 1999, and continuing to 0800 hours, October 16, 1999.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 25**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 28, 1999**

I. FIRE FIGHTER GEORGE H. CLARK LADDER COMPANY 14

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter George H. Clark, Ladder Company 14, on September 12, 1999. Fire Fighter Clark was appointed to the department on September 5, 1979.

The funeral service was held at the Lucy Stone Chapel, Forest Hills Crematory, 171 Walk Hill Street, Jamaica Plain, at 1100 hours, Friday, September 17, 1999.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Engine Company 41 and Ladder Company 14, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Training, Maintenance, and Research Division, Personnel Division, Special Projects Division and the Honor Guard attended the service.

II. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, September 30, 1999:

Fire Fighter

Richard A. Powers

H-3/Haz-Mat

Fire Fighter Powers was appointed to the department on October 22, 1969, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

III. MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

My sincere thanks to all the members of this department, uniformed and civilian, who contributed to this worthy fundraising campaign. A special thank you to Fire Lieutenant Hank Cullen, Fire Fighters Joseph Mullen, Neal Keane, Ron Richards, Walter Duggan, Pat Ellis, Thomas Curtin, and all the members who gave of their time in making this year's fundraising campaign such a success. The final count is not in yet but it is estimated that the Boston Fire Department will reach \$50,000 plus in donations. My congratulations to each of you for a job well done.

IV. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, October 1, 1999:

Fire Lieutenant Brian P. Heelen	Ladder Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 42
Fire Lieutenant John G. Jackson	Ladder Co. 2	to	Ladder Co. 10
Fire Lieutenant Stephen D. McNeil	G-25	to	Engine Co. 30
Fire Lieutenant Joseph A. Kelley	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Lieutenant John Kilroe	Fire Prevention Div.	to	G-25
Fire Lieutenant Gregory Fall	Engine Co. 29	to	Personnel Division
Fire Lieutenant Francis L. McLaughlin	Ladder Co. 28	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Richard F. Sanders	Engine Co. 3	to	Detail Administration Unit
Fire Fighter Garrett M. Stapleton	Fire Brigade	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Robert L. Quinn	Rescue Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 50
Fire Fighter William H. Buckley	Engine Co. 32	to	Ladder Co. 9
Fire Fighter Michael D. O'Reilly	Engine Co. 37	to	Engine Co. 14
Fire Fighter Michael J. Bernier	Engine Co. 48	to	Ladder Co. 28
Fire Fighter Oscar O. Francisco	Ladder Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Fighter George E. Downey	Ladder Co. 24	to	Emergency Management Div.
Fire Fighter Thomas W. McKernan	Engine Co. 29 (Aide to Dist. Chief)	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Paul T. Stanley	Rescue Co. 2	to	Engine Co. 42 (Aide to Dist. Chief)
Fire Fighter Terence R. McCourt	Engine Co. 42	to	Engine Co. 42 (Aide to Dist. Chief)
Fire Fighter Michael C. Lozanne	Engine Co. 37	to	Engine Co. 37 (Aide to Dist. Chief)

V. SUSPENSIONS

In accordance with the provisions of Section 20.10 of the Rules and Regulations of the Boston Fire Department, the following named members have been suspended without pay:

Fire Fighter Dennis P. Hickey, Engine Company 48, for four tours effective 0800 hours, September 14, 1999, to 0800 hours, September 19, 1999, for violation of Rule 18.44 (j).

Fire Fighter Hansy Rigueur, Ladder Company 28, for four tours effective 0800 hours, September 14, 1999, to 0800 hours, September 19, 1999, for violation of Rule 18.44 (j).

Fire Fighter Willie E. Bogues, Engine Company 4, for four tours effective 0800 hours, October 10, 1999, to 0800 hours, October 15, 1999, for violation of Rule 18.4.

VI. COMMENDATIONS

1) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter David Crespo, Engine Company 14, who while off duty on July 31, 1999, gave CPR to a cardiac arrest victim prior to the arrival of apparatus thus saving the man's life. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

2) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Andre C. Bridges, Ladder Company 9, who while off duty on August 23, 1999, helped to stabilize a pedestrian who was struck by a motor vehicle until the arrival of apparatus. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 26**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 29, 1999**

I. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention Week will be observed in the City of Boston from October 3 to October 9, 1999, inclusive.

During Fire Prevention Week, company officers and all members shall review the smoke detector laws so that people visiting the firehouses can get the correct answers to their questions on smoke detectors.

Fire stations shall be open to the public between the hours of 1200 and 1700 hours for visits of the premises and for the conveyance of information concerning the fire department functions and fire prevention matters. When citizens come to a station during Fire Prevention Week, the member on house patrol shall summon the commanding officer who should be available to show the visitors around the station and to answer the questions regarding the department, or to have a suitable person assigned to this duty.

The officer in charge of quarters shall see that the Fire Prevention banners being issued to all stations are displayed for the entire month of October. Banners shall be checked daily by the officer in charge of quarters to assure that they are firmly affixed to the building in a proper manner. The banners will be collected at the end of the month to be stored at Headquarters.

District Fire Chiefs are directed to take an active interest in Fire Prevention Programs in the following manner:

By making arrangements with the various plants and industrial enterprises within the district to hold fire drills during the week, by grading these drills as good, fair, or poor and making a report of same to the Fire Prevention Division, indicating the name of the enterprise, the date of the drill and the grade. Same should be forwarded promptly. Each business should be requested to acknowledge participation in Fire Prevention Week activities via written correspondence. These drills should be conducted by a company officer after arrangements are made. At plants where there are special or company fire brigades, particular attention should be given to assignments and/or response procedures. It is requested that the name of the company officer conducting the drill be furnished. It is anticipated that not less than three drills be conducted in each district.

Company officers shall contact school officials in the schools in their sub-district and make arrangements to hold the required fire exit drills during Fire Prevention Week. The fire exit drill shall be so arranged that it will be held prior to the end of the school day. The District Fire Chief should compile a list of fraternal, social, civic and professional organizations within the district and convey to them the willingness of the fire department to provide company officers for the purpose of lecturing on fire prevention at any time.

District Fire Chiefs should make a concerted effort to bring the activities of the department before these organizations and arrange for lectures to be given. The name of any organization so participating should be reported to the Fire Prevention Division, specifically if the organization can be urged to forward on their own stationery a notation of the event, it would be to the greater advantage of the fire department.

Firefighters are to pay special attention to the observance of fire hazards and to the duty of observing and locating fire hazards along the route followed by them in their coming to and

going from daily work. All buildings being erected, demolished or significantly remodeled require permits, as do storage and use of flammable gases. Notify your District Fire Chief and/or Fire Prevention Division at extension 3620. Dilapidated buildings, rubbish accumulation and the other hazards should be reported in accordance with abatement procedures as outlined in S. O. P. # 25. The public expects uniformed members of the fire department to know something about fire prevention work and to have an interest in this subject since they are public employees engaged in this field. Firefighters, therefore, during Fire Prevention Week, should have this subject uppermost in their minds and they should not pass a fire hazard at any time without making a note of it for reference to the Fire Prevention Division. In short, every uniformed member in the fire department is a fire prevention inspector at all times.

A list of all fire prevention activities and their locations will be forthcoming.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 27**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 29, 1999**

I. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK ACTIVITIES

The Boston Fire Department is engaged in a program of promoting fire prevention to the public. To assist in setting this example, it is the sincere wish of the Fire Commissioner that all members of the department support its Fire Prevention Week activities. This may be done by conveying to your family, friends and relatives those events which are in support of this worthwhile activity and by requesting their presence whenever possible. A schedule of fire prevention activities is furnished herewith.

The Public Education Office of the Fire Prevention Division will kick off Fire Prevention Week by participating in the Roslindale Day Parade with the Fire Safety House on Sunday, October 3, 1999, from 1200 hours to 1600 hours.

The Boston Fire Department Aerial Drill Team will perform at the following locations:

HOURS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1999

1615 FALLON FIELD, ROSLINDALE, SOUTH AND ROBERT STREETS
FOLLOWING THE ROSLINDALE DAY PARADE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1999

0930 LYNDON SCHOOL, 140 RUSSETT ROAD, WEST ROXBURY

1230 FANEUIL HALL MARKETPLACE

HOURS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1999

0930 HAYES SQUARE, CHARLESTOWN, FOR THE SCHOOL CHILDREN
OF THE KENT, ST. CATHERINE'S AND WARREN-PRESCOTT
SCHOOLS

1300 NEW ENGLAND HOME FOR LITTLE WANDERERS,
161 SOUTH HUNTINGTON AVENUE, JAMAICA PLAIN

HOURS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1999

0930 FRANCISCAN CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL & TAFT MIDDLE SCHOOL
30 WARREN STREET IN THE REAR PARKING LOT

1230 FANEUIL HALL MARKETPLACE

HOURS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1999

0930 ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL, 33 STANTON STREET, DORCHESTER

1230 COPLEY SQUARE PARK IN FRONT OF THE TRINITY CHURCH

HOURS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1999

0930 ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL, 40 HOLTON STREET, ALLSTON

1230 FANEUIL HALL MARKETPLACE

HOURS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1999

1030 CASTLE ISLAND, SOUTH BOSTON

The following is a schedule of times and locations where the Fire Safety House will be on display:

Sunday, October 3, 1999	Fallon Field, Roslindale 1200 to 1600 hours
Tuesday, October 5, 1999	New England Home for Little Wanderers 161 South Huntington Ave., Jamaica Plain 0900 to 1300 hours
Saturday, October 9, 1999	Castle Island, South Boston 1200 to 1600

A press release has been sent to all the local Boston papers. If you do not see an article on Fire Prevention Week in your local paper, call them and ask why. If they want more information, they can contact Fire Fighters Stephen MacDonald or David Walsh in the Public Relations Office, 343-3415. To assist members in dealing with the public, each firehouse is being sent hand-outs that can be used with adults or children to give to the public.

In addition, each firehouse will be sent information dealing with this year's Fire Prevention Week theme, "**Fire Drills: The Great Escape**". Members should familiarize themselves with the information so that they can pass it on to the public when they visit the firehouse.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 28**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 12, 1999**

I. ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION

The following named have been appointed Fire Fighters on Probation, effective 0800 hours, October 13, 1999 and assigned to the following companies:

Steven G. Kinney	Ladder Company 2
Mark C. Loschiavo	Engine Company 9
Leon R. Beasley	Engine Company 30
Joseph P. Jablonski	Ladder Company 2
Duane B. Jenkins	Engine Company 55
Daniel A. Fossa	Engine Company 10
John A. Mellace	Engine Company 21
Edwin A. Alvarez	Engine Company 56
Joseph Boucher	Engine Company 28
William Murphy	Engine Company 28
Robert Broadway	Engine Company 9
Daniel Murphy	Engine Company 53

Loring K. Jacks

Ladder Company 21

Matthew Paul	Engine Company 18
Jeff Brewington	Ladder Company 2
Telly M. Cordova	Ladder Company 2
John P. Cavaleri	Ladder Company 18
Glendon G. King	Engine Company 4
Liam Kearney	Engine Company 29
Stephen A. Gabriel	Engine Company 51
Alan J. Staunton	Engine Company 56
Christopher R. Jerry	Engine Company 9
Peter J. Starkey	Engine Company 9
Barry J. Bourassa	Engine Company 7
Edwin Carrasquillo	Engine Company 28

These members are detailed to the Training, Maintenance and Research Division. They will report to their assigned company for full duty upon successful completion of drill school.

Fire Fighters on Probation shall not be used as company strength or detailed while attending drill school.

Fire Fighters on Probation will have their names appear on a separate morning report compiled and maintained by the Training Division while attending the Fire Academy. Upon their successful completion of the Fire Academy, the names of the Fire Fighters on Probation will be added to their respective company's morning reports.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 29**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 14, 1999**

I. HEALTH AND FITNESS PROGRAM

This has been a very tragic year for the members and families of the Boston Fire Department with ten active members dying, nine of who died from a heart attack or cancer. I cannot stress enough the importance of having yearly physicals and participation in a routine exercise program. It is our goal to reduce the number of firefighter deaths given the extraordinary risks, exposures and stresses associated with firefighting.

The department has begun to work closely with the efforts of Local 718's Wellness Committee in establishing a comprehensive firefighter health and fitness program. The main goal of this program is to improve the health and fitness of our firefighters in order to prevent any more untimely and tragic deaths. Similar programs have been well received in ten major U. S. fire departments. They are non-punitive and medical records are kept confidential. The input and enthusiasm from all our members will be necessary in order for this program to be implemented and successful.

However, until this program is initiated, I am urging all firefighters to schedule a complete physical and to begin a regular exercise program. Firefighters have a two to three times higher risk of having a heart attack or developing cancer than does any other occupation. For this reason, earlier screenings and a more involved exam should be performed. The following is a list of suggested areas for your primary care physicians' focus.

1.) Areas for screening and specific risk factors for heart disease to be addressed include:

Diabetes	Smoking
Hypertension	Alcohol and Substance Abuse
Obesity	Family History of CAD
Sedentary Lifestyle	High Cholesterol

2.) The annual exam should also include:

Blood Pressure: pulse, respiratory rate, temp and pulse ox
Thorough skin exam
Eye exam, hearing testing

Oral exam
Heart and Lung exam
Abdominal and testicular exam
Prostate and rectal exam with fecal occult blood testing
Vascular, neurological and mental status exam

3.) Necessary lab tests include:

Serum chemistry and liver function test
Complete blood count
Fasting cholesterol and blood glucose
Pulmonary function testing
Chest x-ray every three years
PSA test yearly (beginning age 40 to screen for prostate cancer)
Flexible sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy (beginning age 40 and every 3 years to screen for colon cancer)
Exercise stress test (beginning age 45 or sooner if any suspicion of coronary artery disease)
Yearly PAP smears and mammograms (for female firefighters)

Regarding the exercise regimen, the Boston Fire Department is purchasing cross-trainer machines for each firehouse and Fire Alarm. Upon a successful physical evaluation, regular use of these machines will greatly improve and maintain the cardiovascular conditioning of our members.

Boston firefighters deserve to live longer and healthier lives and enjoy more time with their families and co-workers. We must begin to take our health more seriously and work together to implement a health and fitness program to prevent even more tragic firefighter deaths.

Please visit or call Dr. Michael Hamrock at the Medical Examiner's Office if you have any questions or concerns regarding these very important issues.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 30**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 19, 1999**

**I. FIRE FIGHTER THOMAS W. RUSSELL
ENGINE COMPANY 2**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter Thomas W. Russell, Engine Company 2, who died on September 25, 1999. Fire Fighter Russell was appointed to the department on September 5, 1979.

The funeral was held from the John F. O'Brien and Sons Funeral Home, 146 Dorchester Street, South Boston, at 0900 hours, Wednesday, September 29, 1999, followed by a Funeral Mass at Saint Brigid's Church, 845 East Broadway, South Boston, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Engine Company 2, Ladder Company 19, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Personnel Division, Special Projects Division and the Honor Guard attended the service.

II. FIRE FIGHTER JOHN J. MCDONALD

LADDER COMPANY 25

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter John J. McDonald, Ladder Company 25, who died on October 2, 1999. Fire Fighter McDonald was appointed to the department on September 22, 1972.

The funeral was held from the MacKinnon Funeral Home, 760 Washington Street, Whitman, at 0900 hours, Thursday, October 7, 1999, followed by a Funeral Mass at Holy Ghost Church, School Street, Whitman, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Personnel Division, Special Projects Division and the Honor Guard attended the service.

III. HIGH COMMENDATION

On October 3, 1999, while visiting in Stamford, Connecticut, Fire Fighter William Benevelli, Rescue Company 2, discovered a 64 year old man who had collapsed and was not breathing and unconscious. He began CPR with the assistance of his brother and continued until the arrival of the Stamford Fire Department. The man was then shocked and a pulse was detected. The patient was then transported to the hospital.

Because his actions undoubtedly saved the man's life, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter William Benevelli of Rescue Company 2, and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

IV. COMMENDATIONS

- 1) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Troy T. Osgood, Engine Company 41, who while off duty on September 14, 1999, found a man lying on the sidewalk at the Copley Square Library. The man had stopped breathing and after conducting a primary survey, was found to have no pulse. He performed CPR prior to the arrival of apparatus and EMS. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.
- 2) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Richard L. Garcia, Ladder Company 21, who while off duty on September 19, 1999, came upon a vehicle that had rolled over and landed on its roof. He rendered care to a trapped victim and directed the local fire fighters as to the injuries and the stability of the vehicle upon their arrival. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.
- 3) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Alarm Operator Diane Clifford, who on September 21, 1999, received a call from a child who was close to panic reporting he had set his pants on fire. She determined the child was located in the bathroom and was coughing and complaining of smoke. He had discarded his pants and they were burning outside the bathroom door. She instructed him to place a towel along the bottom of the door and lay away from the smoke entry. She kept reinforcing he would be okay keeping the child calm. A short time later Ladder Company 7 came on the phone confirming they had the child. This commendation shall be made part of her personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 31**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 28, 1999**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 0800 hours, November 1, 1999:

Fire Lieutenant Patrick F. Lee	Engine Company 2	S7-94B, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter John H. Burden	Engine Company 20	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Thomas J. Murphy	Marine Unit	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Jerry E. Smith	Detail Admin. Unit	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter John A. Stanton	Engine Company 51	S7, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Lieutenant Lee was appointed to the department on October 22, 1969, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on May 3, 1995. Fire Fighter Burden was appointed to the department on December 30, 1970. Fire Fighter Murphy was appointed to the department on February 19, 1969. Fire Fighter Smith was appointed to the department on February 7, 1968. Fire Fighter Stanton was appointed to the department on December 22, 1971.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective at 0800 hours, October 19, 1999:

Fire Fighter on Probation
Daniel Murphy

Engine Company 53

III. GOVERNOR'S SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

On October 21, 1999, the Boston Fire Department, represented by Deputy Chief Paul R. Moore and District Chief Robert E. Dillon, was presented the Governor's Special Achievement Award for the handling of a spectacular fire of thousands of gallons of fuel on the Southeast Expressway on Sunday, March 21, 1999. Sharing this award were members of the Department of Environmental Protection, Department of the State Police, Massachusetts Highway Department and the Boston Police Department.

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IV. COMMISSIONER'S UNIT CITATION

On August 6, 1999, at 0356 hours, Box 3666 was struck for a building fire in a paper box factory located at 36 Poydras Street in District 12.

Upon arrival, a heavy smoke condition was reported by District 12 with fire showing from the roof. Aide to District 12 John M. Walsh ascended to the roof to give a status report. While walking toward Ladder Company 28's aerial ladder, Fire Fighter Walsh fell into a weakened section of the roof, managing to grab a small portion of it with both hands.

Hearing his cries for help and realizing that Fire Fighter Walsh was in grave danger of falling some 25 to 30 feet into the fire, fire fighters grabbed hold of him and proceeded to pull him out of the hole and remove him to a safe section of the roof.

Because their actions were performed under a heavy smoke condition, limited visibility and with risk to their own safety, the Commissioner's Unit Citation shall hereby be awarded to the following members:

Fire Lieutenant Frederick J. Foppiano	Ladder Company 28
Fire Fighter Michael J. Whelan	Ladder Company 16
Fire Fighter Edward A. Scigliano	Ladder Company 16
Fire Fighter William McGuirk	Engine Company 53 (detailed to L-16)
Fire Fighter William Waller	Engine Company 52
Fire Fighter Robert G. Flinn	Engine Company 52
Fire Fighter Robert M. Ryan	Ladder Company 29 (detailed to E-52)
Fire Fighter Edgar C. Honeycutt	Ladder Company 28

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 32**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 26, 1999**

I. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective 0800 hours, December 1, 1999:

Fire Captain

Michael J. Guarente Fire Prevention Div. to Personnel Division

Fire Captain

John M. Gallagher Fire Prevention Div. to Personnel Division

Fire Lieutenant

John P. Sirianni Engine Co. 9 to Personnel/Medical

Fire Lieutenant

Mark J. O'Brien Engine Co. 53 to Engine Co. 24

Fire Lieutenant

Charles J. Papineau Engine Co. 48 to Ladder Co. 28

Fire Lieutenant

Michael E. Doolin Fire Prevention Div. to Engine Co. 29

Fire Lieutenant

William D. Ceurvels G-25 to Ladder Co. 2

Fire Lieutenant

Joseph R. Wilson Engine Co. 51 to Ladder Co. 9

Fire Lieutenant

Henry J. Sheridan Engine Co. 24 to Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Fighter

Joseph Regan Ladder Co. 19 to Personnel/Medical

Fire Fighter

Frank Prendergast Engine Co. 52 to Personnel/Medical

Fire Fighter

Joseph Montoya Engine Co. 16 to Personnel/Medical

Fire Fighter

Paul Cedorchuk Ladder Co. 1 to Personnel/Medical

Fire Fighter

John J. Bottary Engine Co. 30 to Personnel/Medical

Fire Fighter	Robert W. Davis	Marine Unit	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Joseph Anderson	Ladder Co. 25	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	James E. White	Engine Co. 8	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Edward P. Stokinger	Engine Co. 10	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Fighter	Thomas J. McDuff	Fire Brigade	to	Marine Unit

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Fire Fighter	Kenneth A. Simpson	Engine Co. 4	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Fighter	Eduardo J. Cortez	Ladder Co. 2	to	Fire Prevention Division Fire
Fire Fighter	Paul Canavan	T. M. R. Division	to	Fire Academy
Fire Fighter	James R. Oliver	Fire Academy	to	T. M. R. Division
Fire Fighter	Richard J. McDonald	Personnel/Medical	to	T. M. R. Division
Fire Fighter	John J. Harrison	Fire Prevention Div. (Night Division)	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter	Francis D. Maher	Ladder Co. 24	to	Engine Co. 4 (Aide to Dist. Chief)
Fire Fighter	Thomas Dunphy	Engine Co. 17	to	Fire Brigade
	John T. Dorsey	Fire Alarm Const.	to	Personnel Division

II. CORRECTION

The assignment of the following named Firefighter On Probation as written in General Order No. 28, Section I, dated October 12, 1999, should be corrected to read:

Mark C. Loschiavo Engine Company 53

III. COMMENDATION

1) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Willie K. Harris, Ladder Company 17, who while off duty on November 9, 1999, rendered first aid to victims of a motor vehicle accident who had severe facial injuries prior to the arrival of apparatus. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

2) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant James V. Boyle, Engine Company 37, who while off duty on November 16, 1999, was notified that a neighbor had passed out. He determined the man was in cardiac arrest. He began CPR in those first critical minutes and continued until the arrival of apparatus and Boston EMS. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

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NO. 33

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE

DECEMBER 1, 1999

HEARINGS ON CHARGES

At a hearing granted to Fire Fighter Oscar O. Francisco, Engine Company 48, before the Fire Commissioner's designated hearing officers at Boston Fire Department Headquarters, 115 Southamptton Street, Boston, on November 15, 1999, he has been found guilty of the following charge preferred against him:

Charge: Violation of Rule 18.44 (f)
Rules and Regulations of the
Boston Fire Department

Because of the foregoing violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Boston Fire Department, the member's past performance, the seriousness of the charge, and uniform application of the department's progressive discipline code, he is hereby suspended from his position, without pay, for two weeks effective 0800 hours, November 30, 1999, and continuing to 0800 hours, December 14, 1999.

At a hearing granted to Leather and Canvas Worker Brian R. Dowd, Maintenance Division, before the Fire Commissioner's designated hearing officers at Boston Fire Department Headquarters, 115 Southamptton Street, Boston, on November 26, 1999, he has been found guilty of the following charge preferred against him:

Charge: Violation of Rule 18.44 (o)
 Rules and Regulations of the
 Boston Fire Department

Because of the foregoing violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Boston Fire Department, the seriousness of the charge, and uniform application of the department's progressive discipline code, he is hereby suspended from his position, without pay, for thirty days, effective 0800 hours, November 29, 1999, and continuing to 0800 hours, December 29, 1999.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 34**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 15, 1999**

The retirement of the following named member, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, December 31, 1999:

Fire Fighter
James E. Donovan, Jr. Ladder Company 14

Fire Fighter Donovan was appointed to the department on July 27, 1966, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. CORRECTION

The transfer of Fire Fighter Joseph Montoya from Engine Co. 16 to Personnel/ Medical as written in General Order No. 32, Section I, dated November 26, 1999, should be omitted and corrected to read:

Fire Fighter
Joe E. Montoya Engine Co. 29 to Personnel/Medical

III. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, January 1, 2000:

Fire Lieutenant

**Gregory J. Mackin Fire Invest. Unit to Engine
Co. 53**

Fire Lieutenant

Michael E. Doolin Engine Co. 29 to G-25

Fire Fighter

Joseph Roach Ladder Co. 15 to Engine Co. 4

Fire Fighter

Orlando Ribeiro Engine Co. 21 to Engine Co. 55

Fire Fighter

Charles R. Warnock, Jr. Headquarters Div. to T. M. R. Division

Fire Fighter

John A. Rushton, Jr. Headquarters Div. to T. M. R. Division

Fire Fighter

Eugene Anderson Headquarters Div. to Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Fighter

Robert A. Steadman Headquarters Div. to Fire Brigade

Fire Fighter

Sheldon K. Jackson

Fire Prevention Div. to
Special Occupancies

Fire Prevention Div.
Night Division

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 36**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 28, 1999**

HEARING ON CHARGES

At a hearing granted to Fire Fighter Ronald P. White, Engine Company 29, before the Fire Commissioner's designated hearing officers at Boston Fire Department Headquarters, 115

Southampton Street, Boston, on December 2, 1999, he has been found guilty of the following charge preferred against him:

Charge: Violation of Rule 18.44 (o)
Rules and Regulations of the
Boston Fire Department

Because of the foregoing violation of the Rules and Regulations of the Boston Fire Department, the member's past performance, the seriousness of the charge, and uniform application of the department's progressive discipline code, he is hereby suspended from his position, without pay, for thirty days effective 0800 hours, December 31, 1999, and continuing to 0800 hours, January 30, 2000.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 37**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 29, 1999**

**I. FIRE FIGHTER THOMAS W. MCKERNAN
ENGINE COMPANY 29**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter Thomas W. McKernan, Engine Company 29, Aide to District Fire Chief, District 11, who died

on December 21, 1999. Fire Fighter McKernan was appointed to the department on January 27, 1988.

The funeral was held from the Keeling-Tracy Funeral Home, 45 Common Street, Walpole, followed by a service at the First Baptist Church, 808 High Street, Westwood, on December 24, 1999, at 0900 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of District 11, Engine Company 29, Ladder Company 11, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Special Projects Division, Personnel Division and the Honor Guard attended the service.

II. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, January 2, 2000:

Fire Lieutenant

James M. Raftery

Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Lieutenant Raftery was appointed to the department on May 1, 1968, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on December 15, 1976, and leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

III. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member will become effective at 1700 hours, January 3, 2000:

Fire Fighter

Ronald R. Ross

Ladder Company 26

IV. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the following members who while off duty worked at Worcester Box 1438 under extremely difficult conditions. This commendation shall be made part of their personnel files.

Fire Fighter

Dennis Hickey

Engine Company 48

Fire Fighter	
Philip Jordan	Engine Company 48
Fire Fighter	
Michael Costello	Ladder Company 28
Fire Fighter	
John Foley	Ladder Company 25
Fire Fighter	
Joseph Capobianco	Ladder Company 26
Fire Fighter	
Michael Higgins	Ladder Company 1

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MARTIN E. PIERCE, JR