

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 1

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
JANUARY 7, 1987

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are effective as follows:

				<u>1700 hours</u>
Fire Fighter				
	Francis X. Mayo	Ladder Co. 19	S7,7-94,C32,G.L.	12.31.86
Fire Fighter				
	James R. Munzert	Train. & Maint.	S5,C32,G.L.	1.7.87

Fire Fighter Mayo was appointed to the department October 17, 1956. Fire Fighter Munzert was appointed August 31, 1955.

Both of these members leave the department with the best wishes of there associates.

II. TRANSFER

The transfer of the following named member will become effective 0800 hours, Saturday, January 10, 1987:

Fire Fighter  
John D. Eggleton, III Rescue 1 to Headquarters (Pers.)

III. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES

The following designations have been changed to read as follows:

12-1593	Fensgate Cooperative 69-75 Hemenway Street
16-5197	Fidelis Way Bldg. #7 29-31 Jette Court
17-5197	Fidelis Way Bldg. #8 21-27 Jette Court
18-5197	Fidelis Way Bldg. #9 9-19 Jette Court
23-5197	Fidelis Way Bldg. #12 18-24 Jette Court
24-5197	Fidelis Way Bldg. #13 28-30 Jette Court
13-6113	Massport Shipyard 256 Marginal Street

Company commanders shall make the above mentioned changes to U.A.A.B. assignment cards.

## IV. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

12-2977	Highview Park 4971 Washington Street Circuit Card #23
13-2552	Washingtonian Court 41 Morton Street Circuit Card #66
12-1412	Office Building 176 Federal Street Circuit Card #3
13-712	Summer Street South 421 Summer Street Circuit Card #33

## V. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future. Company commanders shall add them to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

12-1316	Office Building 90 Canal Street
12-4216	Building #33 Charlestown Navy Yard
12-6172	Chapman House 61 Eutaw Street
12-7127	VII Corp. Fuel Barge 290 Northern Ave.
15-5371	St. Thomas Moore Hall 2150 Commonwealth Avenue
717	Pappas Way Opp. #145 The response will be the same Box 7123.



## VI. HIGH COMMENDATIONS

On December 9, 1986, at 1740 hours, the Tower Unit responded to a Still Alarm for One Post Office Square, Box 13-1283 (6 alarms).

Upon arrival, it was reported that several explosions were heard in the basement and that persons working in the electrical room may be trapped.

Members of the Tower Unit, Engine 10 and Rescue 1 descended down the stairway through heavy, black smoke, while explosions were continuing, to the sub-basement.

Fire Lieutenant Richard L. Hartnett and Fire Fighter on Probation Gregory J. Mackin of the Tower Unit heard a victim calling for help in the electrical switching gear room. They entered the room and made an intensive search down passageways lined with burning and exploding electrical equipment and with no visibility to assist them.

They located a semi-conscious, seriously burned worker. While Lieutenant Hartnett removed his face mask and placed it on the victim, Fire Fighter on Probation Mackin worked his way back to the room entrance and directed Lieutenant Hartnett with the victim back to safety.

Both of these members performed these duties under very hazardous conditions and at great personal risk. The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend them and refers their cases to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON

THE LAST GENERAL ORDERS IN THE 1986 SERIES WAS NO. 47

### I. RETIREMENTS

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

Fire Fighter			
John M. Holder	Engine Co. 49	1700 hrs.,	1.31.87
Fire Fighter			
Thomas P. Connolly	Engine Co. 2	1700 hrs.,	1.20.87

Fire Fighter Holder was appointed to the department April 27, 1949. Fire Fighter Connolly was appointed January 18, 1961.

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

### II. ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION

The following named will be appointed Fire Fighters on Probation, effective 0800 hours, January 14, 1987 and assigned to the following named companies:

Mark C. Callender	Engine Company 50
Don F. Cuddahy	Tower Unit
Igor Verbitzki	Ladder Company 10
James V. Boyle	Engine Company 22
Joseph G. McMahon	Engine Company 22
Michael R. Mason	Engine Company 16
James J. Heffernan	Engine Company 29

These members will be detailed to the Training and Maintenance Division for a period of nine weeks. They will report to their assigned company for a night tour of duty each Saturday night during their drill school period starting January 31, 1987.

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

### III. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future and company commanders shall add them to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

13-1421	Weld Building 265-271 Purchase Street
13-157	Office Building 939 Boylston Street



## IV. COMMENDATIONS

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Stephen Minehan, Ladder Company 26 and Fire Fighter William Irvine, Ladder Company 7, for assisting at Box 3263, 1351 hours, January 6, 1987, while off duty, in evacuating the occupants from the fire building at 176 Minot Street, before the arrival of apparatus to the scene.

## V. HAZARDOUS BUILDING

The building located at 739 Boylston Street, District 4, is in hazardous condition.

The building is under renovation, elevator shafts are open and the top left outside wall is missing.

Extreme caution must be taken at all times during fire fighting operations at this location.

This building has been posted.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 5

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
JANUARY 30, 1987

I. FIRE FIGHTER PETER J. SAMPSON, JR., ENGINE COMPANY 20

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death on January 26, 1987 of Fire Fighter Peter J. Sampson, Engine Company 20. Fire Fighter Sampson was appointed to the department February 19, 1969.

The funeral was held from the McDonald Funeral Home, 809 Main Street, Weymouth, at 0900 hours, Thursday, January 29, 1987, followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Albert the Great Church, 1140 Washington Street, Weymouth, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members from the Training and Maintenance Division, Fire Prevention Division, Headquarters Division, Engine Company 20 and the Rifle Honor Guard were excused to attend the services.

II. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective 1700 hours, January 31, 1987:

Fire Captain		
John J. Heelen	Headquarters	S7,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter		
William Hagerty	Engine Company 37	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Edward Wadman	Engine Company 52	S7,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Daniel T. McHugh	Engine Company 55	S7,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Salvatore R. Russo	Headquarters	S7,C32,G.L.
Supt. of Fire Alarm		
John M. Murphy	Fire Alarm Division	S5,C32,G.L.

Fire Captain Heelen was appointed to the department October 20, 1971, promoted to Fire Lieutenant August 16, 1978 and promoted to Fire Captain March 7, 1984. Fire Fighter Hagerty was appointed May 3, 1950. Fire Fighter Wadman was appointed January 18, 1967. Fire Fighter McHugh was appointed August 25, 1971. Fire Fighter Russo was appointed July 23, 1975. Superintendent of Fire Alarm Murphy was appointed Fire Alarm Operator January 9, 1953, promoted to Senior Fire Alarm Operator February 3, 1960 and promoted to Superintendent of Fire Alarm December 4, 1968.

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



## III. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective 0800 hours, Saturday, January 31, 1987:

Fire Captain	Dennis J. Roache	Headquarters	to	Ladder Co. 21
Fire Lieutenant	James R. Dutcher	Headquarters	to	Engine Co. 56
Fire Lieutenant	Richard J. DiBenedetto	Ladder Co. 2	to	Engine Co. 4
Fire Lieutenant	Walter T. McGinn	Headquarters	to	Ladder Co. 11
Fire Fighter	Edward C. Doherty	Engine Co. 9	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Fighter	Joseph H. Roach	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 33
Fire Fighter	Dwight H. Brown	Engine Co. 33	to	Engine Co. 37
Fire Fighter	Stephen F. Daly	Engine Co. 29	to	Engine Co. 37
Fire Fighter	Monroe Johnson	Train. & Maint.	to	Engine Co. 42
Fire Fighter	Robert L. Quinn	Rescue Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 50
Fire Fighter	Thomas F. Morrissey	Engine Co. 33	to	Engine Co. 50
Fire Fighter	Charles J. Parenteau	Ladder Co. 1	to	Haz Mat Unit-H3
Fire Fighter	Fred Ellis, Jr.	Rescue Co. 1	to	Haz Mat Unit-H3
Fire Fighter	Michael F. O'Connor	Rescue Co. 1	to	Haz Mat Unit-H3
Fire Fighter	John G. Sylvester	Engine Co. 33	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Fighter	Kevin A. Deagle	Ladder Co. 16	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Fighter	Michael J. Kelly	Ladder Co. 15	to	Ladder Co. 24
Fire Fighter	John F. Kelly	Engine Co. 7	to	Light. Plant
Fire Fighter	Edward J. Hobin	Ladder Co. 15	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Fighter	Paul G. Carey	Engine Co. 22	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Fighter	Paul S. Arathuzik	Engine Co. 29	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Fighter	Steven C. Waldron	Ladder Co. 6	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Fighter	Richard R. Parker	Engine Co. 10	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Fighter	Joseph L. Driscoll	Rescue Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 10

## TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter	John T. Sheehan	Rescue Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 10
Fire Fighter	Walter J. McEvoy	Rescue Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 10
Fire Fighter	Robert F. Bowen	Rescue Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 10

## V. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future and company commanders shall add them to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

12-2641	Florence Street Condos 110 Florence Street
12-2644	Housing for the Elderly 120 Poplar Street
12-1761	Cardinal Medeiros Manor 11 Woodcliff Street
12-298	Cheriton Grove Apartments 20 Cheriton Street

## VI. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

12-1316	Office Building 90 Canal Street Circuit Card #5
13-1421	Weld Building 265-271 Purchase Street Circuit Card #3



## VII. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION &amp; CIRCUIT CARD NUMBER OF FIRE ALARM BOX

The designation and circuit card number of the following numbered fire alarm box has been changed to read as follows:

12-1236	San Marco/Lincoln Wharf Condos 357 Commercial Street Circuit Card #3
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## VIII. FIRE ALARM BOX DISCONTINUED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been removed from service. Company commanders shall remove this box from U.A.A.B. assignment and circuit cards.

12-1412	Office Building 176 Federal Street Circuit Card #3
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## IX. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES

The following named designations have been changed to read as follows:

1311	Haverhill St. @ Anthony "Rip" Valenti Way
1316	Canal St. & Anthony "Rip" Valenti Way

Company commanders shall make these changes to U.A.A.B. assignment cards.

## X. COMMENDATION

On January 11, 1987, at 2127 hours, Rescue Company 1 responded to a Still Alarm for a report of an automobile in the Charles River at Soldiers Field Road and Western Avenue, District 11.

Upon arrival, the members were informed by police on the scene that a child had been removed from the water and an adult was missing.

Fire Fighters Edward T. Loder and James C. Feeney, Rescue Company 1, donned survival suits, entered the water and began a search. Fire Fighter Feeney located the adult male submerged below him and managed to get the person to the surface where he immediately performed mouth to mouth resuscitation. Fire Fighter Loder swam to the aid of Fire Fighter Feeney and the person and all three were pulled ashore.

## COMMENDATION CONTINUED

Upon report of another possible female victim in the water, both members re-entered and searched for over an hour. The police reported the apparent victim was located at home.

Fire Fighters Feeney and Loder suffered hypothermia and were treated and released at St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighters James C. Feeney and Edward T. Loder of Rescue Company 1 for their dedication to duty and makes these commendations part of their personnel folder.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



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, (ter. Ed.) 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 Fire Alarm 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, am 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 Fire Alarm 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 actions.

The above delegation of authority, effective as of January 31, 1987, 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 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 Fire Alarm 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, am by said Boston Fire Prevention Code, Sections 1.21 & 1.22, 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 Fire Alarm 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, 1987, 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 LEO D. STAPLETON



### I. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following named member became effective 1700 hours, January 31, 1987:

Fire Fighter (Spec. Hazards Insp.)  
John F. McCarthy                      Fire Prev. Div.    S5,C32,G.L.

Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector) McCarthy was appointed to the department May 2, 1951 and appointed Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector) March 30, 1977. Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector) McCarthy leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

### II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named member has been promoted to Fire Captain, effective 0800 hours, February 4, 1987:

Fire Lieutenant  
Paul P. Keeley                      Planning & Logistics Division

### III. PROVISIONAL PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member has been promoted provisionally to Fire Lieutenant and transferred, effective 0800 hours, February 4, 1987:

Fire Fighter  
William J. Meyer                      Ladder Co. 6    to    Headquarters

### IV. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

15-5371	St. Thomas Moore Hall 2150 Commonwealth Ave.	Circuit Card #64
12-1291	International Place 150 Oliver Street	Circuit Card #55

### V. FIRE ALARM BOX REMOVED FROM SERVICE

The following numbered fire alarm box has been removed from service and company commanders shall remove it from U.A.A.B. assignment cards and circuit card #69:

13-3517	Franklin Field Housing for the Elderly Bldg. #1 Boiler Rm. 113 Ames Street
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## VI. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

The following named designation has been changed to read as follows:

12-2641	Florence Street Condos
	17 Florence Street

Company commanders shall make the above mentioned change to U.A.A.B. assignment cards.

## VII. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future and company commanders shall add them to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

12-2246	Norfolk House
	10-18 John Eliot Square

12-3223	Adams House
	69 Msgr. Lydon Way

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 10

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
FEBRUARY 27, 1987

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective 1700 hours, February 28, 1987:

District Fire Chief John P. Vahey	District 10	S5,C32,G.L.
District Fire Chief Paul V. McCarthy	District 6	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Lieutenant Ralph P. Selvitella	Ladder Co. 1	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Lieutenant Nicolo Patti	Engine Company 9	S7,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter James Wallace	Engine Company 20	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter Leonard A. D'Amico	Engine Company 55	S7,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter William R. Baker	Ladder Company 19	S7-94,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter Philip L. Gagne	Engine Company 30	S7-94,C32,G.L.
Inside Wireman Harold E. McLaughlin	Fire Alarm Division	S5,C32,G.L.

District Fire Chief Vahey was appointed to the department December 5, 1945, promoted to Fire Lieutenant January 25, 1956, promoted to Fire Captain March 13, 1963 and promoted to District Fire Chief October 25, 1967. District Fire Chief McCarthy was appointed January 26, 1949, promoted to Fire Lieutenant October 18, 1966, promoted to Fire Captain October 27, 1971 and promoted to District Fire Chief October 27, 1976. Fire Lieutenant Selvitella was appointed to the Maintenance Division as a mechanic on August 10, 1955, appointed Fire Fighter September 6, 1964 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant February 16, 1977. Fire Lieutenant Patti was appointed June 27, 1962 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant November 4, 1970. Fire Fighter Wallace was appointed March 15, 1950. Fire Fighter D'Amico was appointed December 12, 1951. Fire Fighter Baker was appointed June 27, 1962. Fire Fighter Gagne was appointed November 11, 1970. Inside Wireman McLaughlin was appointed February 9, 1977.

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

II. ASSIGNMENT - CHIEF FIRE ALARM OPERATOR

The following assignment became effective 0800 hours, January 28, 1987:

Chief Fire Alarm Operator (Provisional) Robert J. McCarthy  
to  
Chief Fire Alarm Operator



## III. TRANSFERS

The following named members will be transferred, effective 0800 hours, Saturday, February 28, 1987:

Fire Lieutenant				
Leo D. Stapleton, Jr.	Headquarters	to	Ladder Co. 2	
Fire Fighter				
Anthony J. Crisafulli	Rescue Co. 2	to	Maintenance	
Fire Fighter				
Cornelius J. Walsh	Engine 28	to	Engine Co. 49	
Fire Fighter				
George L. Wyman	Engine Co. 24	to	Engine Co. 55	
Fire Fighter				
Nicholas J. Driscoll	Engine Co. 5	to	Engine Co. 30	
Fire Fighter				
Steven P. Rushton	Ladder Co. 11	to	Engine Co. 55	
Fire Fighter				
William F. McCaffrey	Engine Co. 32	to	Pers./Medical	

## IV. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future. Company commanders shall add these boxes to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

23-1481	New England Medical MBTA Station Enter on Tremont St. @ Oak St. West
13-1546	Back Bay MBTA Station 145 Dartmouth St.
13-221	Massachusetts Ave. MBTA Station 393 Massachusetts Ave.
12-2221	Ruggles St. MBTA Station 249 Ruggles St.
14-2366	Roxbury Crossing MBTA Station 1163 Tremont St.
12-2411	Jackson Square MBTA Station 225 Centre St.
12-2437	Stony Brook MBTA Station 120 Boylston St.
12-2537	Forest Hills MBTA Station Enter from Washington St. opp. Asticou Rd.
12-254	Green St. MBTA Station 141 Green St.
14-1818	Boston Globe Newspaper 135 Morrissey Blvd.



## V. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

12-6172	Chapman House 61 Eutaw Street	Circuit Card #48
12-7127	VII Corp Fuel Barge 290 Northern Ave.	Circuit Card #92

## VI. COMMENDATIONS

On February 1, 1987, at 0526 hours, Box 6116 (2 alarms) was struck for 11 Seaver Street, East Boston, District One. Fire Fighter Thomas J. Carideo of Engine Company 56, while off duty and a resident of the third floor of a 12 family apartment building, was awakened by the smoke detector alarm system and other occupants crying in distress. He immediately reported the fire to Fire Alarm and proceeded to alert other sleeping occupants by knocking on doors. While departing via the front stairs he found two children in a dazed condition and carried them to safety.

Fire Fighter Carideo reentered the building and assisted other occupants to the street. The above actions were taken just before the main entrance was completely cut off by fire. He then proceeded to the rear of the building and assisted Engine Company 56 in running and advancing their line via the basement and over the stairs to the main body of fire on the first floor. Numerous occupants reported to the District Chief the actions performed by Fire Fighter Carideo.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Thomas J. Carideo of Engine Company 56 for his quick action and dedication to duty and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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On February 14, 1987, at 1548 hours, Box 3131 (working fire) was struck for a fire at 343 Geneva Avenue, District 7. Fire Fighter Douglas E. Powell of Engine Company 14, while off duty and driving past the location, observed fire and smoke within the building. After stopping and directing a passer-by to sound an alarm from the nearest fire box, he entered the building, alerted and assisted the occupants of all three floors to safety. Upon exiting, Fire Fighter Powell closed doors so as to prevent the spread of fire and smoke. He then proceeded to assist the pump operator of the first arriving engine company in connecting up to the hydrant.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Douglas E. Powell of Engine Company 14 for his quick action and dedication to duty and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 11

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
MARCH 3, 1987

I. PROMOTIONS TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following named members will be promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to Headquarters, effective 0800 hours, March 4, 1987:

Fire Captain		
Robert T. Dorsey		Ladder Company 23
Fire Captain		
Frederick J. Sullivan		Ladder Company 10

II. PROMOTIONS TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named members will be promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to Headquarters, effective 0800 hours, March 4, 1987:

Fire Lieutenant		
Edward G. Lorenz		Engine Company 22
Fire Lieutenant		
John P. Carey		Engine Company 14

III. PROVISIONAL PROMOTIONS TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members will be promoted provisionally to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to Headquarters, effective 0800 hours, March 4, 1987:

Fire Fighter		
Richard Connelly		Ladder Company 7
Fire Fighter		
Manuel J. Arruda		Ladder Company 16
Fire Fighter		
Robert P. Rull		Engine Company 3
Fire Fighter		
Francis G. Jones		Ladder Company 26

IV. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been installed. Company commanders shall add it to their respective circuit cards:

12-298	
	Cheriton Grove Apartments
	20 Cheriton Road
	Circuit Card #13

V. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm box will be installed in the near future. Company commanders shall add it to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit number will be announced when the box is installed.

21-2883	
	Office Building
	1208A V.F.W. Parkway



## VI. COMMENDATIONS

On January 11, 1987, at 2213 hours, Box 6177 was struck for a fire at 702 Border Street, District 1.

Fire Fighter Louis P. Grifone, Aide to District One, responded while off duty.

Upon arrival, he was notified by a citizen that two children were trapped within the building. He immediately entered and searched the first floor and then proceeded to the second floor where heavy smoke and fire were encountered. Fire Fighter Grifone completed a search of the bedroom area and reported conditions to Engine Company 5 upon their arrival. A secondary search by Fire Fighter Grifone revealed the absence of occupants.

He was administered oxygen at the scene and transferred to the East Boston Health Station.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Grifone, Aide to District One, for his quick action and dedication to duty and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend

Fire Fighter John F. Heaney	Engine Company 7
Fire Fighter Stephen A. Holmes	Engine Company 7
Fire Fighter John S. Varner	Engine Company 7

for working at Box 1511, 5 alarms, on February 22, 1987, after having been relieved from duty, and makes this commendation a part of their personnel folder.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON

## II. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

Box 12-1761	Cardinal Medeiros Manor 11 Woodcliff Street Circuit Card #67
Box 12-4216	Building #33 Charlestown Navy Yard Circuit Card #44
Box 12-5231	Barrett Building Rear 25 Travis Street Circuit Card #14

## III. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future. Company commanders shall add these boxes to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

Box 12-7511	J. Nagle Company 306 Northern Avenue
Box 16-1235	Constitution Landing 440-448 Commercial Street

## IV. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

The designation of the following numbered fire alarm box has been changed to read as follows:

Box 12-1437	Office Building 695 Atlantic Ave.
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Company commanders shall make the above mentioned change to U.A.A.B. assignment cards.



## V. FIRE ALARM BOX DISCONTINUED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been removed from service. Company commanders shall remove it from their respective circuit cards and from the U.A.A.B. assignment card.

Box 13-7312	South Boston Heights Academy
	486 East Third Street
	Circuit #63

## VI. HIGH COMMENDATION

Upon arrival at a building fire, Box 7334, Incident #4293, at 0836 hours, on February 5, 1987, Fire Fighter James M. Hardy, Ladder Company 19, entered a three story building, heavily charged with heat, smoke and gases, on three separate occasions in repeated rescue attempts.

He first entered the second floor with Fire Fighter James B. Lavey, Ladder Company 19, and they both made a thorough search for occupants, without success.

He next ascended the aerial with Fire Fighter James E. Prokop, Ladder Company 19, and was informed by a woman and child on the adjoining roof that someone was still inside. Both members entered down through the roof in another unsuccessful attempt. Upon return to the roof, Fire Fighter Prokop assisted the woman and child to safety and Fire Fighter Hardy once again entered the top floor through the roof, even though he was suffering from exhaustion and his vibralert was sounding on his breathing apparatus.

With complete disregard for his own safety and at extreme personal risk, he searched until he located a young child and removed him to safety up to the roof, down the aerial to the street, performing mouth to mouth resuscitation until relieved by other members.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Hardy for these exceptional actions and his case is referred to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

## VII. COMMENDATIONS

At this same fire, Fire Fighters James M. Sheehan, Engine Company 2, and Ralph J. Bruno, Engine Company 2, caught two children dropped from the second floor by a woman occupant, and Fire Lieutenant Ronald J. O'Brien, Ladder Company 19, removed said woman from the window over a ground ladder.

Fire Lieutenant Ronald J. O'Brien, Fire Fighters James B. Lavey, James E. Prokop, James M. Sheehan and Ralph J. Bruno are

all commended for their actions at this fire which resulted in several rescues, and these commendations shall be made a part of their personnel files.

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The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighters James P. Connole and James P. McCusker, both of Engine Company 37, for their quick action in the extinguishment of an automobile fire, on March 13, 1987, at 1400 hours, in the town of Foxborough, prior to the arrival of the local fire department.

The above occurred while the members were returning with the apparatus from a service call at an apparatus distributor.

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On February 14, 1987, Fire Fighter James Gallagher, Ladder Company 1, while off duty, came to the aid of a man who had collapsed at 75 West School Street, District 3. The man had no pulse and was not breathing. Fire Fighter Gallagher immediately began CPR and mouth to mouth resuscitation before the arrival of Engine 50.

Because of Fire Fighter Gallagher's swift action and life saving knowledge, reflecting credit to himself and this department, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend him and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 14

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
MARCH 26, 1987

I. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following named member, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 of Chapter 521 of the Acts of 1922, will become effective 1700 hours, March 31, 1987:

Fire Fire (Special Hazards Inspector)  
Carl F. Bowers Fire Prevention Division

Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector) Bowers was appointed to the department May 20, 1942 and appointed Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector) November 12, 1980.

Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector) Bowers leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective 0800 hours, Saturday, March 28, 1987:

District Fire Chief David B. LeBrun	District 4	to	District 6
District Fire Chief Thomas G. Dunbar	District 12	to	District 10
Fire Captain James W. McNamara	Ladder Co. 15	to	Ladder Co. 23
Fire Captain Edward J. Callahan	Engine Co. 22	to	Ladder Co. 10
Fire Lieutenant Thomas E. Bernhard, Jr.	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 14
Fire Lieutenant Thomas F. Ford	Headquarters	to	Engine Co. 22
Fire Fighter Paul T. Walsh	Engine Co. 49	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter Herbert Pearlstein	Engine Co. 49	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter David Wadman	Ladder Co. 4	to	Ladder Co. 6
Fire Fighter Robert P. McNiff	Ladder Co. 15	to	Ladder Co. 6
Fire Fighter Anthony C. Gaston	Engine Co. 10	to	Haz Mat Unit - H3
Fire Fighter James V. Sullivan	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter James J. Coakley	Fire Prev. Div.	to	Ladder Co. 4

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 17

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
MARCH 31, 1987

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective 1700 hours, March 31, 1987:

Fire Lieutenant		
Gerald R. LaFlamme	Ladder Co. 9	S5,C32,GL
Fire Fighter		
James J. Coakley	Ladder Co. 4	S58,C32,GL
Fire Fighter		
Raymond F. Martin, Jr.	Fire Brigade	Chapter 674 Acts of 1986

Fire Lieutenant LaFlamme was appointed to the department April 27, 1955 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant December 15, 1976. Fire Fighter Coakley was appointed November 9, 1945. Fire Fighter Martin was appointed January 18, 1967.

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

II. PROVISIONAL PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member will be promoted provisionally to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to Headquarters, effective 0800 hours, April 1, 1987:

Fire Fighter	
John L. Collins	Rescue Company 1

III. ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION

The following named will be appointed Fire Fighters on Probation, effective 0800 hours, April 1, 1987 and assigned to the following named companies:

LeRoi Rodriquez	Engine Company 5
Brian E. Hussey	Ladder Company 11
David B. Rose	Ladder Company 21
John J. Bottary	Engine Company 37
Harold G. Gay	Engine Company 32
Scott J. Malone	Ladder Company 10
Michael T. Blythe	Engine Company 9
Richard S. O'Neill	Ladder Company 21

These members will be detailed to the Training and Maintenance Division for a period of nine weeks. They will report to their assigned company for a night tour of duty each Saturday night during their drill school period starting April 18, 1987.

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



IV. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to their respective circuit card:

Box 12-1511

Boston Y.M.C. Union  
48 Boylston Street  
Circuit Card #18

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 21

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
APRIL 3, 1987

I. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following named member, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, G. L., became effective 1700 hours, April 2, 1987:

Fire Fighter	
Joseph I. Mahoney	Fire Brigade

Fire Fighter Mahoney was appointed to the department October 2, 1957.

Fire Fighter Mahoney leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective 0800 hours, Saturday, April 4, 1987:

Fire Fighter			
James J. McKernan	Headquarters	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Bartholomew F. Clements, Jr.	Special Unit	to	Headquarters
Fire Fighter			
Richard J. DeCola	Ladder Co. 6	to	Special Unit
Fire Fighter			
Joseph R. Crawford	Engine Co. 48	to	Special Unit

III. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future and company commanders shall add them to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

12-2388	The Jefferson School 240 Heath Street
16-3148	St. Ambrose Church 240 Adams Street
14-6232	Logan Industrial Park East 440 McClellan Highway

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



I. COMMUNICATIONS UNIT

The provisions of General Orders #19, dated April 1, 1983, are hereby rescinded.

At 0800 hours, April 15, 1987, the Command Post Vehicle, currently operated by the Safety Unit, will be transferred to the Fire Alarm Office and its designation will become Communications Unit (Comm. Unit).

It will be brought to the scene of the incidents listed below by a fire alarm operator who shall man it throughout such responses:

1. Working fires and multiple alarms.
2. Major haz-mat incidents where Safety Chief is dispatched.
3. High-rise responses where Safety Chief is dispatched.
4. Subway and ship fires.
5. Boxes 612, 912 and 945.
6. Any incident that the officer in charge requires the presence of the Unit.

On arrival at the scene, the operator shall report his location and presence to Fire Alarm for the information of the officer in charge of the incident.

He shall be under the overall command of the officer in charge and the direct command of the Safety Chief.

The vehicle shall continue to carry its current equipment and information and shall be supplied with spare radios, batteries and such other related equipment as becomes necessary.

The new procedure has two primary objectives:

- A. To permit the Safety Chief to more effectively utilize his aide for safety and fire fighting related duties.
- B. To enable the fire alarm operator to monitor and improve communications where possible and assist in relaying information and interpreting messages when necessary.

The Unit is not intended to require the automatic relaying of messages, but to assist communications where it is advantageous.

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## III. TRANSFERS

The following named members will be transferred to Personnel/Medical, effective 0800 hours, Saturday, April 11, 1987:

Fire Lieutenant

Arthur E. Page

Engine Company 32

Fire Fighter

John S. Glennon

Ladder Company 23

## IV. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to their respective circuit cards:

Box 12-2644

Housing for the Elderly  
120 Poplar Street  
Circuit Card #83

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 23

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
APRIL 27, 1987

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the dates and provisions indicated, are effective as follows:

Fire Fighter				<u>1700 hrs.</u>
James M. Cullity	Engine Co. 50	S5,C32,G.L.		3.31.87
Fire Fighter				
John L. Moffitt	Engine Co. 29	S5,C32,G.L.		4.30.87

Fire Fighter Cullity was appointed to the department October 17, 1956. Fire Fighter Moffitt was appointed July 5, 1950. Both of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following named members will be transferred, effective 0800 hours, April 29, 1987:

District Fire Chief			
Dennis G. Callanan	District 3	to	District 4
District Fire Chief			
John F. Hasson	District 3	to	District 12
Fire Captain			
Dennis J. Roache	Ladder Co. 21	to	Engine Co. 22
Fire Captain			
Gerard F. Lucas	Headquarters	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Lieutenant			
Michael G. Feely	Engine Co. 10	to	Engine Co. 53
Fire Fighter			
Thomas C. Gunn	Engine Co. 52	to	Engine Co. 2
Fire Fighter			
Michael J. Kelly	Ladder Co. 24	to	Engine Co. 2
Fire Fighter			
William M. Nagle	Train. & Maint.	to	Engine Co. 20
Fire Fighter			
Thomas J. Murray	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 10
Fire Fighter			
Joseph R. Jackson	Ladder Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 32
Fire Fighter			
Mark S. Patrick	Ladder Co. 24	to	Ladder Co. 16
Fire Fighter			
Patrick D. Murphy	Ladder Co. 11	to	Ladder Co. 16
Fire Fighter			
Patrick J. Connolly	Engine Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 7
Fire Fighter			
Brian M. Hardiman	Engine Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 53
Fire Fighter (Spec. Haz. Insp.)			
Thomas F. McDonough	Fire Prev. Div.	to	Pers./Medical

## III. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to their respective circuit card:

12-2641                      Florence Street Condos  
                             17 Florence Street  
                             Circuit Card #83

## IV. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been established and company commanders shall add it to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit number will be announced when the box is installed.

18-1262                      United States Trust Co.  
                             40 Court Street

## V. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter on Probation James A. O'Sullivan of Ladder Company 14, for responding to and working at Box 5461 on April 18, 1987, while off duty, and makes this commendation a part of his personnel record.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 24

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
MAY 6, 1987

I. FIRE FIGHTER GERALD M. WALSH, ENGINE COMPANY 32

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death on April 28, 1987 of Fire Fighter Gerald M. Walsh, Engine Company 32. Fire Fighter Walsh was appointed to the department February 7, 1968.

The funeral was held from the John H. Sawyer Funeral Home, 329 Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown, at 0900 hours, Saturday, May 2, 1987, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members from Headquarters, Training and Maintenance and Fire Prevention Divisions, Engine Company 32 and the Rifle Honor Guard were excused to attend the services.

II. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective 0800 hours, April 30, 1987:

Fire Lieutenant	
Daniel A. Ennis	Engine Company 20

III. PROVISIONAL PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member has been promoted provisionally to Fire Lieutenant and transferred, effective 0800 hours, May 6, 1987:

Fire Fighter	
Charles W. Bellew	Engine Company 16 to Headquarters

IV. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to their respective circuit cards:

21-2883	Office Building 1208A V.F.W. Parkway Circuit Card #23
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V. FIRE ALARM BOX REMOVED FROM SERVICE

The following numbered fire alarm box has been removed from service and company commanders shall remove it from U.A.A.B. assignment cards and circuit card #16:

13-4141	Charlestown High School, Spencer Annex 30 Cedar Street
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BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 27

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
MAY 19, 1987

### 108TH ANNUAL BALL AND AWARDS CEREMONY

The 108th Annual Ball and Awards Ceremony of the Boston Fire Department will be held Friday, May 22, 1987, at the Park Plaza Hotel, 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 to 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

1930 Hours	Reception Hour	Imperial Ballroom
2030 Hours	Grand March National Anthem	Fire Lieutenant (Ret.) Frank Bonner
Greetings by President		
Fire Fighter Francis J. Belmore, Engine Company 39 Boston Firemen's Relief Fund		
Invocation	Rev. Msgr. James J. Keating Boston Fire Department Chaplain	
Master of Ceremonies		
Fire Fighter (Ret.) Manuel J. Gregorio		
Presentation of the American Legion Award to		
Fire Fighter Robert M. Linnell, Engine Company 7		
Fire Fighter William J. Boyle, Jr., Engine Company 50		
Fire Lieutenant Richard L. Hartnett, Tower Company		

by

District Fire Chief Paul F. Cook, Planning & Logistics Division



Presentation of the Award of Recognition to

Fire Lieutenant Paul H. Dewan, Jr., Ladder Company 17

by

Fire Commissioner Leo D. Stapleton

Presentation of Distinguished Service Award to

Fire Captain James R. Evans, Engine Company 4

Fire Fighter Edward J. Finch, Aide to District 3

Fire Fighter on Probation Frank C. Rogier, Ladder Company 24

by

Deputy Fire Chief Kevin J. Mochen, Division 1

Presentation of Distinguished Service Award to

Fire Fighter on Probation William M. Gillis, Engine Company 10

by

Deputy Fire Chief Paul A. Christian, Division 1

Presentation of the Roll of Merit Award to

Fire Fighter Francis L. Shaughnessey, Aide to District 7

by

Deputy Fire Chief John R. Harrison, Division 2

Presentation of the Roll of Merit Award to

Fire Fighter Reynolds A. Shepherd, Ladder Company 17

by

Deputy Fire Chief Kevin J. Mochen, Division 1

Presentation of the Roll of Merit Award to

Fire Fighter on Probation Gregory J. Mackin, Tower Company

by

Acting Deputy Fire Chief John A. Lockhead, Division 1

Presentation of the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor to  
Fire Lieutenant Richard L. Hartnett, Tower Company

by

Deputy Fire Chief John E. Clougherty, Division 1

Presentation of the Walter Scott Medal for Valor to  
Fire Fighter William J. Boyle, Jr., Engine Company 50

by

Chief of Operations John D. White

Presentation of the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for the Most  
Meritorious Act to

Fire Fighter Robert M. Linnell, Engine Company 7

by

Honorable Raymond L. Flynn, Mayor of Boston

Presentation of the Boston Fire Commissioner's Award to

Fire Fighter Robert M. Linnell, Engine Company 7

by

Fire Commissioner Leo D. Stapleton

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Remarks Raymond L. Flynn, Mayor of Boston

Benediction Rev. Kevin Turman  
Boston Fire Department Chaplain  
Boston Gaelic Fire Brigade Pipe & Drum Band

2130 Hours Drawing

Dancing til 0100 hours - Noel Henry Show Band



Medal winners and Roll of Merit recipients will be excused from duty from 1800 hours, May 21, 1987 to 0800 hours, May 23, 1987.

The Grand March will be under the direction of Fire Fighter (Ret.) Manuel J. Gregorio. The Rifle Honor Guard will be under the direction of Floor Marshal John Teehan and Drill Master John Buckley. The Rifle Honor Guard will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 22, 1987 to 0800 hours, May 23, 1987.

The Relief Fund Office will be closed all day May 22, 1987.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON

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 1986. After careful consideration and study, the Board submitted the following recommendations which are hereby approved by the Fire Commissioner:

1. Case of Fire Fighter (Aide to District Fire Chief) Francis L. Shaughnessey, Engine Company 17

On June 3, 1986, at 1058 hours, Box 1845 was struck for an alarm of fire at 68 Saxton Street, District 7.

District Fire Chief Frank Lang and his Aide, Fire Fighter Francis L. Shaughnessey, Engine Company 17, were first to arrive and witnessed heavy fire emanating from the second floor windows, overlapping and entering the third floor.

Becoming aware that a woman occupant of the second floor was at the side window and in need of immediate assistance, Fire Fighter Shaughnessey ran to the first arriving company (Engine Company 17) which was hooking up to the hydrant, unaware of the woman's predicament, took a ladder from the apparatus and carried it to the burning structure, raised it and removed the victim to safety, who was then taken to the Boston City Hospital for treatment of burns.

Because Fire Fighter Francis L. Shaughnessey's quick thinking and response undoubtedly saved the victim from further injury, perhaps saving her life, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter (Aide to District Fire Chief) Francis L. Shaughnessey in General Orders No. 20 of 1986.

The Board recommended that the name of Fire Fighter (Aide to District Fire Chief) Francis L. Shaughnessey, Engine Company 17, be placed on the Roll of Merit.

2. Cases of Fire Captain James R. Evans, Engine Company 4  
Fire Fighter on Probation Frank C. Rogier, Ladder Company 24  
Fire Fighter (Aide to District Fire Chief) Edward J. Finch,  
Ladder Company 24

On August 20, 1986, at 2218 hours, members of Ladder Company 24 observed from quarters a young male running erratically down the center of Cambridge Street in heavy traffic and being pursued by two other males. The pursuers alerted the members of Ladder Company 24 that the person fleeing had assaulted two women. Fire Fighter on Probation Frank Rogier, Ladder Company 24, gave immediate chase on foot and was joined by Fire Captain James Evans, Engine Company 4, and Aide to District 3, Fire Fighter Edward



Finch, who were in contact with Fire Alarm via portable radio. The above members succeeded in subduing the man after a difficult chase through heavy traffic. The person was in an extremely crazed state and it took great effort and great personal risk to restrain him until the arrival of police. The Fire Alarm Office dispatched Engine Company 4 and Ladder Company 24 to assist.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Captain James R. Evans, Engine Company 4, Fire Fighter on Probation Frank C. Rogier, Ladder Company 24, and Fire Fighter (Aide to District Fire Chief) Edward J. Finch, Ladder Company 24, in General Orders No. 32 of 1986, for their quick action and apprehension of the suspect which resulted in court conviction for assault and battery.

The Board recommended that Fire Captain James R. Evans, Engine Company 4, Fire Fighter on Probation Frank C. Rogier, Ladder Company 24 and Fire Fighter (Aide to District Fire Chief) Edward J. Finch, Ladder Company 24, be awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

3. Case of Fire Fighter on Probation William M. Gillis, Engine Company 10

On September 19, 1986, at approximately 1440 hours, while members of Engine Company 10 were performing hydrant inspections on Winter Street, they observed a person being pursued by others and were alerted by a woman that her handbag had been stolen by the fleeing person.

Fire Fighter on Probation William M. Gillis, Engine Company 10, gave immediate chase on foot and with great effort and personal risk, succeeded in subduing the man on West Street. The police were summoned via portable radio and, upon arrival, placed the person under arrest.

The Fire Commissioner commended Fire Fighter on Probation William M. Gillis, Engine Company 10, in General Orders No. 39 of 1986, for his quick action and dedication to public service.

The Board recommended that Fire Fighter on Probation William M. Gillis, Engine Company 10, be awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

4. Case of Fire Fighter William J. Boyle, Jr., Engine Company 50

On October 9, 1986, at 0018 hours, Engine Company 50 responded to a Still Box 4146. Upon arrival, members were made aware of a male person attempting to commit suicide in a nearby apartment. His brother stated that he had already slashed both his arms and thighs with a knife. He had stabbed his brother in a previous incident and was extremely violent.



The members of Engine Company 50 immediately entered the apartment, found the victim on his feet bleeding from both arms and thighs and wielding a six inch knife. On approach, the victim made threatening gestures, forcing the members of Engine Company 50 to leave the building.

Fire Fighter William J. Boyle, Jr, Engine Company 50, entered the apartment. He made his way as close as possible to the victim and commenced talking to him in a confiding manner while being threatened with the knife repeatedly, as the man continued to stab himself. Fire Fighter Boyle remained in the apartment for approximately 40 minutes, talking to and gaining the confidence of this deranged individual. The victim finally surrendered the weapon, due to the persuasiveness and determined efforts of Fire Fighter Boyle.

Fire Fighter William J. Boyle showed complete disregard for his own personal safety, while exposed to extreme personal risk in performing this life saving act.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter William J. Boyle, Jr., Engine Company 50, in General Orders No. 42 of 1986.

The Board recommended that Fire Fighter William J. Boyle, Jr., Engine Company 50, be awarded the Walter Scott Medal for Valor.

5. Case of Fire Fighter Robert M. Linnell, Engine Company 7

On November 12, 1986, at 0345 hours, Engine Company 7 responded to a Still Alarm, AFA Signal, for an alarm of fire at 78 Charles Street South, the Milner Hotel.

Upon arrival, heavy fire and smoke were reported from the fourth floor rear. Engine Company 7 advanced a 2 1/2" line via the interior front stairwell to the fourth floor where the members encountered heavy fire.

Before the line was charged, Fire Fighter Robert M. Linnell of Engine Company 7 heard screams from an upper floor. He proceeded to the fifth floor which was heavily charged with smoke. Fire was also extending up from the fourth floor via an outer court and a light shaft.

Fire Fighter Linnell made his way down the fifth floor hallway directly above the heavy fire and entered a room where he believed the cry originated. After crawling to a window, he observed a woman holding a year old child in one arm and an infant in the other at the edge of a roof. This woman had jumped from the roof of the fire building to an adjacent roof at 74 Warrenton Street. The woman had walked the ridge pole and apparently slipped or panicked and slid down the roof which had a 50 degree pitch.



Fire Fighter Linnell immediately removed his air mask and leaped out of the window which was in line with the edge of the pitched roof. He landed on his stomach and crawled across the roof some twenty feet until he reached the distraught woman and children. The woman had stopped her fall when her feet hit the gutter. Fire Fighter Linnell managed to hold each of the children and calm the woman who, in the opinion of fire, police officers and by-standers, was intent in jumping until the arrival of Ladder Company 15 who removed them to safety.

Because Fire Fighter Robert M. Linnell of Engine Company 7, by his quick action and at extreme personal risk to his own life, saved the lives of the woman and two children, the Fire Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders No. 46 of 1986.

The Board recommended that Fire Fighter Robert M. Linnell, Engine Company 7, be awarded the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for the Most Meritorious Act.

6. Case of Fire Fighter Reynolds A. Shepherd, Ladder Company 17

On November 12, 1986, at 0345 hours, Ladder Company 17 responded to a Still Alarm, AFA Signal, for an alarm of fire at 78 Charles Street South, the Milner Hotel.

Upon arrival, Ladder Company 17 noted heavy smoke showing from the upper floors. Box 1512 was transmitted. Three alarms were eventually struck to control the fire and life hazard.

While ladders were being raised, Fire Fighter Reynolds A. Shepherd, Ladder Company 17, was ordered to the fourth floor where heavy fire and smoke were encountered from rooms to the left of a long corridor. Fire Fighter Shepherd heard screaming from the end of this corridor. He made his way down this hallway, past the fire in rooms to his left. Near the end of this passageway, he found a woman and two infants. They were in a desperate state. He carried the two children and led the woman back down the corridor, past the fire, to safety via the stairway to the street.

Because Fire Fighter Reynolds A. Shepherd, Ladder Company 17, performed these rescues at great personal risk and under extremely difficult conditions, before effective ventilation had been performed and while lines of hose were being run, the Fire Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders No. 46 of 1986.

The Board recommended that the name of Fire Fighter Reynolds A. Shepherd, Ladder Company 17, be placed on the Roll of Merit.



7. Cases of Fire Lieutenant Richard L. Hartnett, Tower Unit  
Fire Fighter on Probation Gregory J. Mackin, Tower Unit

On December 9, 1986, at 1740 hours, the Tower Unit responded to a Still Alarm for One Post Office Square, Box 13-1283 (6 alarms). Upon arrival, it was reported that several explosions were heard in the basement and that persons working in the electrical room may be trapped.

Members of the Tower Unit, Engine 10 and Rescue 1 descended down the stairway through heavy, black smoke, while explosions were continuing, to the sub-basement.

Fire Lieutenant Richard L. Hartnett and Fire Fighter on Probation Gregory J. Mackin of the Tower Unit heard a victim calling for help in the electrical switching gear room. They entered the room and made an intensive search down passageways lined with burning and exploding electrical equipment and with no visibility to assist them.

They located a semi-conscious, seriously burned worker. While Lieutenant Hartnett removed his face mask and placed it on the victim, Fire Fighter on Probation Mackin worked his way back to the room entrance and directed Lieutenant Hartnett with the victim back to safety.

Both of these members performed these duties under very hazardous conditions and at great personal risk. The Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Lieutenant Richard L. Hartnett and Fire Fighter on Probation Gregory J. Mackin, Tower Unit, in General Orders No. 1 of 1987.

The Board recommended that Fire Lieutenant Richard L. Hartnett, Tower Unit, be awarded the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor.

The Board recommended that the name of Fire Fighter on Probation Gregory J. Mackin, Tower Unit, be placed on the Roll of Merit.

#### AWARD OF RECOGNITION

On February 6, 1987, the Board of Merit of the Boston Fire Department created the City of Boston Fire Department Award of Recognition.

This award is to be presented at the Annual Ball of the Boston Fire Department only when it has been voted by the Board of Merit in any given year.

The Recognition Award is intended for a member of the Uniformed Force who has performed a service or services that have resulted in improving the performance of the department at fires and/or contributed to the safety of members of the firefighting force.



The first recipient of the City of Boston Fire Department Award of Recognition is Fire Lieutenant Paul H. Dewan, Jr., of Ladder Company 17.

Commencing with his assignment as the Department Safety Officer in February 1984, Fire Lieutenant Paul H. Dewan, Jr., has made a major contribution to the improvement of firefighting operations and the safety of members of the firefighting forces.

He has conducted continuous field tests of breathing apparatus, protective clothing, personal safety lights and warning devices, and has thereby improved the performance of each of these items. He has developed revised apparatus specifications that have resulted in the replacement of 75% of the first line apparatus in the department.

His continuing efforts have thereby provided the citizens of Boston with more effective fire protection and have reflected great credit on the City of Boston and its Fire Department.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON

### I. DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF ROBERT O. MACINNES

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death on May 16, 1987 of District Fire Chief Robert O. MacInnes, District 10. District Fire Chief MacInnes was appointed to the department February 3, 1947, promoted to Fire Lieutenant March 12, 1958, promoted to Fire Captain October 25, 1967 and promoted to District Fire Chief May 4, 1977.

The funeral was held from the Paul H. Kraw Funeral Home, 1248 Washington Street, Norwood, at 0845 hours, Tuesday, May 19, 1987, followed by a Funeral Service at the Christ Church, 1220 River Street, Hyde Park, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members from the Training and Maintenance Division, Fire Prevention Division, Headquarters Division and the Rifle Honor Guard were excused to attend the services.

### II. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

Fire Fighter				
	Leo G. Bowen	Ladder Co. 14	5.30.87	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter				
	Wilbur P. Stratton	Train. & Maint.	5.31.87	S7,C32,G.L.

Fire Fighter Bowen was appointed to the department February 19, 1947. Fire Fighter Stratton was appointed July 27, 1966.

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

### III. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective 0800 hours, May 20, 1987:

Fire Fighter Robert J. Gallagher	Engine Company 18
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### IV. REINSTATEMENT

The following named member has been reinstated, effective 0800 hours, May 20, 1987:

Bradley H. Annis	Engine Company 14
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## V. APPOINTMENTS - LINEMEN

The appointments of the following named Linemen became effective on the dates indicated:

Joseph J. Finnigan	Fire Alarm Division	0800 hrs. 5.13.87
Stephen P. Powers	Fire Alarm Division	0800 hrs. 5.20.87

## VI. APPOINTMENT - INSIDE WIREMAN

The appointment of the following named Inside Wireman became effective on the date indicated:

Leo W. Graham	Fire Alarm Division	0800 hrs. 5.13.87
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## VII. TRANSFERS

The following named members will be transferred, effective 0800 hours, May 30, 1987:

District Fire Chief			
John E. Conway	Headquarters	to	District 3
District Fire Chief			
Robert M. Winston	Headquarters	to	District 3
Fire Captain			
William F. Hitchcock	Headquarters	to	Ladder Co. 21
Fire Lieutenant			
W. Michael Foley	Ladder Co. 29	to	Engine Co. 20
Fire Lieutenant			
David R. Granara	Ladder Co. 2	to	Engine Co. 32
Fire Lieutenant			
Neil Doherty	Headquarters	to	Engine Co. 10
Fire Fighter			
John H. Burden	Ladder Co. 7	to	Fire Prev. Div.
Fire Fighter			
Issac Florez	Ladder Co. 21	to	Engine Co. 37
Fire Fighter			
James L. Hart	Engine Co. 56	to	Engine Co. 4
Fire Fighter			
David J. Walsh	Engine Co. 51	to	Engine Co. 53
Fire Fighter			
Michael G. Hamrock	Ladder Co. 2	to	Engine Co. 53

## VIII. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future. Company commanders shall add them to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

12-5352	Condominiums 276 Chestnut Hill Ave.
15-6155	District 7 Police Station 69 Paris Street

## IX. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

12-3223	Adams House 69 Msgr. Lydon Way Circuit Card #62
12-347	Sheet Metal Local 17 J.A.T.C. 1181 Adams Street Circuit Card #31
14-1818	Boston Globe Newspaper 135 Morrissey Blvd. Circuit Card #49

## X. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Stephen M. Herrington, Ladder Company 11, for responding to and working at Box 5346 (3 alarms) on May 16, 1987, while off duty, and makes this commendation a part of his personnel record.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



I. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following named member has been promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to Headquarters, effective 0800 hours, June 3, 1987:

Fire Captain William W. Hayhurst, Jr.                      Tower Company

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to Headquarters, effective 0800 hours, June 3, 1987:

Fire Lieutenant Patrick J. Ellard                      Ladder Company 15

III. PROVISIONAL PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member has been promoted provisionally to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to Headquarters, effective 0800 hours, June 3, 1987:

Fire Fighter John B. Moran                      Ladder Company 16

IV. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective 1700 hours, June 9, 1987:

Fire Fighter Robert L. Smith                      Engine Company 4

V. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be installed in the near future. Company commanders shall add them to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

13-1293	Rowes Wharf - Boston Harbor Hotel 350 Atlantic Avenue
14-1293	Rowes Wharf - Office, Garage & Retail Space 350 Atlantic Avenue
15-1293	Rowes Wharf - N. Atlantic Ave Bldg. Level 8-15 350 Atlantic Ave.
16-1293	Rowes Wharf - North Wharf Bldg. 350 Atlantic Ave.
3728	Victorian Heights opp. Cluster #6 The response will be the same as Box 3726 American Legion Highway & Clare Ave.

VI. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to Circuit Card #91:

12-2388            The Jefferson School  
                    240 Heath Street

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON



## I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members will become effective 1700 hours, June 30, 1987:

Fire Fighter	Joseph F. Pishkin	Fire Prev. Div.	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter	Albion E. Burke	Headquarters	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter	Stephen J. McDonough	Engine Co. 7	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter	Francis J. Doherty	Engine Co. 32	S7,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter	David D. Cuddahy	Engine Co. 41	S6,C32,G.L.

The retirement of the following named member will become effective 1700 hours, July 2, 1987:

Fire Fighter	Daniel T. Gallagher	Engine Co. 53	S5,C32,G.L.
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Fire Fighter Pishkin was appointed to the department January 22, 1947. Fire Fighter Burke was appointed February 3, 1947. Fire Fighter McDonough was appointed July 5, 1950. Fire Fighter Gallagher was appointed November 16, 1955. Fire Fighter Doherty was appointed October 20, 1965. Fire Fighter Cuddahy was appointed February 19, 1969. All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

## II. TRANSFERS

The following named members will be transferred, effective 0800 hours, July 1, 1987:

District Fire Chief	Durwood E. Haynes	District 6	to	District 10
Fire Captain	William F. Hitchcock	Ladder Co. 21	to	Tower Unit
Fire Captain	John J. Feeney	Engine Co. 7	to	Pers./Med.
Fire Lieutenant	George M. Sacco	Ladder Co. 1	to	Ladder Co. 2
Fire Lieutenant	Robert J. Counihan	Ladder Co. 29	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Lieutenant	Robert F. Buckley	Engine Co. 29	to	Ladder Co. 29
Fire Fighter	William J. Hegarty	Ladder Co. 10	to	Engine Co. 41
Fire Fighter	Robert E. Keough	Ladder Co. 2	to	Engine Co. 49
Fire Fighter	Kirk E. Sumner	Engine Co. 4	to	Ladder Co. 7
Fire Fighter	Paul F. Zemotel	Engine Co. 20	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Fighter	Stephen A. Jerzylo	Ladder Co. 28	to	Engine Co. 48

## III. FIRE ALARM BOX DISCONTINUED

The following numbered fire alarm box will be removed from service, effective 0800 hours, Monday, June 29, 1987. Company commanders shall remove it from U.A.A.B. assignment cards and circuit card #44:

13-4192           Mystic Docks  
                  Pier #1 South

## IV. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

The designation of the following numbered fire alarm box will be changed to read as follows, effective 0800 hours, Monday, June 29, 1987:

12-4192           Massport  
                  Mystic Pier #1 North Side

Company commanders shall make the above mentioned change to U.A.A.B. assignment cards.

## V. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be established, effective 0800 hours, Monday, June 29, 1987. Company commanders shall add them to U.A.A.B. assignment cards. The circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed.

12-5144           Condominiums  
                  55 Brainerd Road

14-1612           Condominiums  
                  5 Appleton Street

## VI. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

12-7217           West Broadway Housing-Management Office  
                  81 Orton Morotta Way  
                  Circuit Card #11

12-7128           Massport Fish Pier #6  
                  200 Northern Ave (Rear of Guard Shack)  
                  Circuit Card #32



## VIII. HAZARDOUS BUILDING

The building located at 19-21 Lambert Street, District 5, is in hazardous condition. The side wall is bulging out and there is a large hole in same. The first hole on the right side has collapsed into the cellar. There are numerous holes in the floors throughout the building. The building is in a general state of disrepair.

Extreme caution must be taken at all times during fire fighting operations at this location.

This building has been posted.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER LEO D. STAPLETON