

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death on June 29, 1991 of Fire Captain Gerard F. Lynch, Rescue Company 2. Fire Captain Lynch was appointed to the department January 18, 1961, promoted to Fire Lieutenant December 17, 1969 and promoted to Fire Captain June 11, 1980.

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



## I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, G.L., will become effective 1700 hours, July 31, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant (Spec. Haz. Inspector)	
Richard G. Berninger	Fire Prevention Division
Inside Wireman	
John Whalen	Special Services Division

Fire Lieutenant (Special Hazards Inspector) Berninger was appointed to the department January 29, 1947, promoted to Fire Lieutenant September 9, 1970 and appointed Fire Lieutenant (Special Hazards Inspector) February 6, 1985. Inside Wireman Whalen was appointed October 10, 1979. Both 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, 1991:

District Fire Chief			
Ronald E. Marston	District 3	to	District 4
Fire Captain			
Matthew J. Corbett	Personnel Div.	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Lieutenant			
Michael F. Kenney	Ladder Co. 11	to	Engine Co. 7
Fire Lieutenant			
Thomas C. Gunn	Engine Co. 29	to	Engine Co. 16
Fire Lieutenant			
Thomas L. Dynan	Ladder Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 17
Fire Lieutenant			
Patrick D. Murphy	Personnel Div.	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Lieutenant			
Paul J. Murphy	Personnel Div.	to	Ladder Co. 11
Fire Lieutenant			
James R. Dutcher	Engine Co. 7	to	Ladder Co. 19
Fire Lieutenant			
Richard C. Lawler	Fire Brigade	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Lieutenant			
Martin J. Nee	Rescue Co. 1	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
John P. Hardiman, Jr.	Engine Co. 33	to	Engine Co. 4
Fire Fighter			
Anthony Donatella	Ladder Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 14
Fire Fighter			
Robert E. Little	Engine Co. 32	to	Engine Co. 50
Fire Fighter			
Anthony C. Gaston	Engine Co. 10	to	Ladder Co. 14
Fire Fighter			
Stephen J. Cummings	Tower Unit	to	Rescue Co. 1

## TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter	Richard E. Jones	Personnel/Medical	to	Rescue Co. 2
Fire Fighter	Gerald F. Spitz	Engine Co. 39	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	William R. Desmond	Engine Co. 24	to	Fire Prev. Div.
Fire Fighter	Rolando Oyola	Engine Co. 56	to	Engine Co. 8
Fire Fighter	Patricia J. Kenneally	Engine Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 3
Fire Fighter	Bruce J. Howell	Engine Co. 4 (Aide to Dist. Chief)	to	Engine Company 7 (Aide to Dist. Chief)

## IV. SPECIAL RESPONSE

Box 13-2351 has been designated as a special response box. Company commanders shall make the required changes on the running card.

## V. BOX RENUMBERED

Effective 1800 hours, July 29, 1991, the following fire alarm box will be renumbered to read as follows:

13-2358 to 12-2351

Company commanders shall insert the running card issued with this order in the proper sequence.

## VI. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES

Effective 1800 hours, July 29, 1991, company commanders shall change the designation of the following numbered fire alarm boxes to read as follows:

14-1523	Tremont Village, 339-351 Tremont St
13-5346	Circle Cinema, 399 Chestnut Hill Av
13-537	Boston College Science Building, 2609 Beacon Street



## VII. CHANGES IN RESPONSE

Effective 1800 hours, July 29, 1991, company commanders shall make the following changes in response:

Boxes 367, 3671, 3672, 3673 and 368 working fire ladder coverage shall read as follows:

6-29, 19-6, 23-16

The 2nd alarm ladder coverage shall read as follows:  
10-28, 14-10, 19-6, 23-16

Boxes 4112 through 14-4192 and 421 through 4255:  
7th alarm, covering add Lad 14-1

## VIII. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm box will be established, effective 1800 hours, July 29, 1991. Company commanders shall insert the running card issued with this order in its proper sequence.

14-2359 Masco, 375 Longwood Avenue (Special Response)

## IX. CORRECTION

The appointment date of the following named member should have read June 27, 1991 in General Order No. 35, 1991:

Fire Fighter

Robert J. Doyle

Engine Company 4

## X. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the following named members for responding to and working at 3-alarms, Box 5396, Incident #19297, while off duty, and makes this commendation a part of their personnel folder:

Fire Lieutenant Thomas E. Holt  
Fire Fighter Timothy M. Flaherty  
Fire Fighter George H. Clark  
Fire Fighter Francis P. Byrne  
Fire Fighter Thomas M. Murphy

Ladder Company 14  
Engine Company 41  
Ladder Company 14  
Rescue Company 2  
Engine Company 32

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

GENERAL ORDER  
NO. 42

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
AUGUST 9, 1991

### I. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following named member, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, G.L., became effective 1700 hours, July 31, 1991:

Fire Fighter

William H. Irvine

Ladder Company 7

Fire Fighter Irvine was appointed to the department June 2, 1948. Fire Fighter Irvine 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 and transferred to the Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, August 7, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant

John F. Kenney

Engine Company 28

### III. PROMOTIONS TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members have been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, August 7, 1991:

Fire Fighter

Daniel P. Callaghan

Engine Company 18

Fire Fighter

Robert L. Dowling

Engine Company 37



## V. HIGH COMMENDATIONS

On May 29, 1991, at 0809 hours, Tower Company, Rescue Company 1 and District 3 responded to a still alarm, incident #17477, for a report of a window washer having a heart attack on the seventh floor ledge at 10 West Street.

Upon arrival of the Tower Company, it was determined that the Tower may not reach the victim and a ladder company was ordered to the scene.

Fire Lieutenant James R. Wall, Fire Fighter Paul J. McCarthy of the Tower Company and Fire Fighter Paul G. Carey of Rescue Company 1 ascended in the bucket to the seventh floor. With the Tower fully extended (95 feet), Fire Fighters McCarthy and Carey left the safety of the bucket and climbed an additional five feet with no protection beneath in order to reach the unconscious person who was belted in on the seventh floor ledge. They successfully reached the victim and finding the window to be of the fixed sash type, cleaned out the glass, lifted and passed the victim to other members of Rescue Company 1 who were inside.

Because they performed this act without regard for their own safety and at extreme personal risk, reflecting great credit upon themselves and the Boston Fire Department, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Paul J. McCarthy of Tower Company and Fire Fighter Paul G. Carey of Rescue Company 1 and refers their case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

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On May 21, 1991, at 1843 hours, Rescue Company 1 responded to Box 1552, incident #16539, 465 Columbus Avenue, District 4 (two alarms), for a fire which originated in an apartment on the fifth floor of a six story apartment building.

Fire Fighter Franklin A. O'Leary, Rescue Company 1, entered the stairway where Engine Company 22 was stretching a handline to the fifth floor. Upon reaching the second floor level, heavy smoke banked down in the enclosed stairway making SCBA mandatory at this point. Fire Fighter O'Leary assisted Engine Company 22 on the fifth floor, followed the line into the apartment on fire, encountering heavy smoke and heat, with conditions deteriorating rapidly. Fire Fighter O'Leary, while attempting a primary search, was driven to floor level and remained with members of Engine Company 22 who were operating the handline.

Members were forced to change bottles on their masks. As Fire Fighter O'Leary left the apartment to search for an alternate entrance, he heard a thud which forced the apartment door closed. Aware that the pipeman was inside and while unable to open the door, Fire Fighter O'Leary sat on the floor and while bracing himself on a door jamb, forced the apartment door open enough to gain access. He discovered the unconscious form of Fire Fighter John G. Jackson of Engine Company 22. While encountering great difficulty in attempting to remove Fire Fighter Jackson and operating the line over their heads, Fire Fighter O'Leary observed a light in the hallway belonging to District Fire Chief William W. Hayhurst, Jr. Upon reporting the situation, both members removed Fire Fighter Jackson to a safe refuge where he was revived and transported to New England Medical Center for treatment of smoke inhalation and leg burns.

Because he performed this rescue operation at extreme personal risk and under serious deteriorating fire conditions, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Franklin A. O'Leary for his actions and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

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



## I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective 1700 hours, August 31, 1991:

Fire Fighter	Robert F. Mackey	S5,C32,G.L.	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter	Kenneth D. O'Neil	S6,C32,G.L.	Personnel/Medical
Assistant Superintendent	Charles E. McCarthy	S5,C32,G.L.	Special Services Div.

Fire Fighter Mackey was appointed to the department January 21, 1948. Fire Fighter O'Neil was appointed January 19, 1977. Assistant Superintendent McCarthy was appointed February 27, 1950 and promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Fire Alarm on February 6, 1986. 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, September 1, 1991:

District Fire Chief	Daniel J. McDevitt	Personnel Div.	to	District 3
Fire Captain	John J. McKenna	Ladder Co. 4	to	Rescue Co. 2
Fire Lieutenant	Thomas F. Kelly	Ladder Co. 10	to	Engine Co. 7
Fire Lieutenant	John F. Walsh	Ladder Co. 25	to	Engine Co. 28
Fire Lieutenant	Edward J. White	Personnel Div.	to	Engine Co. 29
Fire Lieutenant	Dennis Costin	Personnel Div.	to	Ladder Co. 9
Fire Lieutenant	Santiago Lasa	Personnel Div.	to	Ladder Co. 11
Fire Lieutenant	James M. Freda	Personnel Div.	to	Fire Prev. Div.
Fire Fighter	Richard B. Gordon	Ladder Co. 16	to	Engine Co. 30
Fire Fighter	Paul S. Luciano	Engine Co. 4	to	Ladder Co. 16
Fire Fighter	Anthony Masiello, Jr.	Engine Co. 5	to	Engine Co. 30
Fire Fighter	Neil F. Sullivan	Ladder Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 4 (Aide to Dist. Ch.)
Fire Fighter	John J. Doyle	Engine Co. 28	to	Engine Co. 4 (Aide to Dist. Ch.)
Fire Fighter	Richard T. Doyle	Ladder Co. 10	to	Ladder Co. 10 (Aide to Deputy Ch.)



## III. RESIGNATIONS

The resignations of the following named members are effective as follows:

## Fire Fighter

Stuart F. Randolph, Jr. Engine Co. 51 1800 hrs. 8/22/91

## Radio Repairman

Peter T. Keane Spec. Serv. Div. 1600 hrs. 8/30/91

## V. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be established effective 1800 hours, August 28, 1991. Company commanders shall insert the running cards issued with this order in their proper sequence.

13-1677 Langham Court, 26 Worcester St  
12-342 Lithgow Block, Office & Retail  
618-630 Washington St  
Enter 622 Washington St

## VI. FIRE ALARM BOXES DISCONTINUED

Effective 1800 hours, August 28, 1991, the following numbered fire alarm boxes have been discontinued. Company commanders shall remove and discard the numbered running cards:

14-2449, 14-2881, 12-7215

## VII. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES

Effective 1800 hours, August 28, 1991, company commanders shall change the designation of the following numbered fire alarm boxes to read as follows:

12-2165 Boston Latin Academy,  
205 Townsend St  
12-2881 U. S. Veterans Administration Hospital  
Buildings 1, 2 & 3, 1400 V. F. W. Pkway  
13-2881 U. S. Veterans Administration Hospital  
Service Buildings, Rear 1400 V. F. W. Pkway

## VIII. COMMENDATIONS

On July 29, 1991, at 1545 hours, Fire Fighter Gilbert Quinchia, Engine Company 30, while off duty on Washington Street, District 12, observed a young male attack another with a knife. Fire Fighter Quinchia immediately went to the aid of the victim who was not breathing. Without personal protection, he proceeded with CPR on the victim for approximately ten minutes with assistance by a civilian until relieved by members of Boston Health & Hospitals.

Because he performed this act without regard for his own safety, reflecting credit upon himself and the Boston Fire Department, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Gilbert Quinchia, Engine Company 30, and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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On August 13, 1991, at approximately 1515 hours, Fire Fighter Richard B. Gordon of Ladder Company 16, while in the rear yard of quarters, heard loud, intense screaming coming from the adjacent yard. Fire Fighter Gordon ran to the yard via Canterbury Street. He entered and observed a Doberman dog in the act of mauling two children, ages six and ten. At this point, with nothing to defend himself, he engaged the dog who was pulling one of the children by the leg and was successful in removing the dog from the child. The owner came upon the scene and took control.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Richard B. Gordon, Ladder Company 16, for his actions, reflecting credit upon himself and the Boston Fire Department and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert Cox of Ladder Company 29 for responding to and working at Box 3535, Incident #27313, 24 Mountain Avenue, District 8, on August 16, 1991, while off duty, and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

BY ORDER OF ACTING FIRE COMMISSIONER GERALD P. HART



### I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective 1700 hours, September 30, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant		
Martin J. Nee	Rescue Company 1	S5,C32,G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Paul D. Linehan	Pers./Medical	S7-94,C32,G.L.
Foreman of Inside Wiremen		
Paul F. Clasby	Spec. Services Div.	S5,C32,G.L.

Fire Lieutenant Nee was appointed to the department January 4, 1956 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant September 20, 1972. Fire Fighter Linehan was appointed September 27, 1972. Foreman of Inside Wiremen Clasby was appointed July 1, 1970 and promoted to Foreman of Inside Wiremen August 3, 1988.

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

### II. RETIREMENT (EMERITUS)

The retirement (emeritus) of the following named member, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, G.L., will become effective 1700 hours, September 30, 1991:

Chief Chaplain of the Boston Fire Department	
Reverend Monsignor	
James J. Keating	Headquarters Division

Chief Chaplain of the Boston Fire Department, Reverend Monsignor Keating was appointed to the department on June 18, 1969, and leaves the department with the best wishes and gratitude of all his associates.

### III. APPOINTMENT - CHIEF CHAPLAIN OF THE BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

The following named will be appointed Chief Chaplain of the Boston Fire Department, effective 1700 hours, September 30, 1991:

Reverend Daniel J. Mahoney	Headquarters Division
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### IV. TERMINATION

The termination of the following named member became effective 1700 hours, September 5, 1991:

Fire Fighter on Probation	
James W. Duchaney, Jr.	Ladder Company 10

## V. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member will be promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, October 2, 1991:

Fire Fighter

John Dempsey

Ladder Company 16

## VI. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective 0800 hours, October 1, 1991:

Fire Captain

John P. Joyce

Personnel Div. to Ladder Co. 4

Fire Lieutenant

Robert L. Dowling

Personnel Div. to Ladder Co. 10

Fire Lieutenant

Kevin P. Cusack

Personnel Div. to Ladder Co. 25

Fire Lieutenant

Richard M. Quinlan

Engine Co. 49 to T.M.R. Division

Fire Lieutenant

Richard C. Lawler

Pers./Medical to Fire Brigade

Fire Fighter

Robert L. Quinn

Engine Co. 50 to Tower Company

Fire Fighter

Michael T. Keating

Engine Co. 53 to Engine Co. 17

Fire Fighter

Thomas K. Sylvester

Tower Company to Ladder Co. 4

Fire Fighter

Joseph G. Welch, III

Engine Co. 28 to Ladder Co. 10

Fire Fighter

Paul J. Brennan

Engine Co. 53 to Ladder Co. 16

Fire Fighter

David F. Walsh

Fire Prev. Div. to Headquarters

## VIII. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

Effective 1800 hours, September 27, 1991, company commanders shall change the designation of the following numbered fire alarm box to read as follows:

12-236

Brigham and Women's Hospital  
Old Building, 15 Francis Street



## IX. HIGH COMMENDATION

On May 21, 1991, at 1843 hours, District 4 responded to Box 1552, Incident #16539, 465 Columbus Avenue (two alarms) for a fire which originated in an apartment on the fifth floor of a six story brick apartment building.

While directing fire fighting operations on the fifth floor, District Fire Chief William W. Hayhurst, District 4, was approached under intense heat and heavy smoke conditions by Fire Fighter Franklin A. O'Leary, Rescue Company 1, who informed him of a fire fighter in distress within an apartment.

District Fire Chief Hayhurst followed Fire Fighter O'Leary into the apartment where they located Fire Fighter John G. Jackson who was unconscious. Both members removed him under very difficult conditions from the fire area to an adjacent apartment where he was revived and transported to New England Medical Center for treatment of smoke inhalation and leg burns.

Because his actions in this rescue operation were performed at great personal risk under intense heat and heavy smoke conditions, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend District Fire Chief William W. Hayhurst, District 4, and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

## X. COMMENDATIONS

On August 10, 1991, Fire Fighter Robert P. McNiff, Ladder Company 6, while off duty and dining at a restaurant, observed a man in apparent cardiac arrest. Fire Fighter McNiff initiated C.P.R. with success until the arrival of Ladder Company 6 and emergency medical services personnel.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert P. McNiff for his actions and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Robert L. Powell, Engine Company 51, for responding to and working at Box 339, Incident #29966, at 175 Glenway Street, District 7, on September 4, 1991, while off duty, and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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



I. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention Week will be observed in the City of Boston from October 6 to October 12, 1991, inclusive.

During Fire Prevention Week, company officers and all members shall review the smoke detector laws so that people visiting the fire houses can get the correct answers to smoke detector laws.

Fire stations shall be open to the public between the hours of 1200 and 1700 hours for inspection 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 man on house patrol shall summon the commanding officer who should be available and ready to either show the visitors around the station and to answer the questions regarding the department, or to have a suitable person assigned to this duty. Handouts will be distributed with this order so that they may be given to the public when they visit the firehouses.

The officer in charge of quarters shall see that the Fire Prevention Week plywood sign issued to all stations is displayed during this week. It is the responsibility of company officers to see to it that these signs are kept in good condition from year to year. Signs should be displayed from Sunday to Saturday. Signs 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.

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 concern 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 will contact school officials in the schools in their sub-district and make arrangements to hold the required fire exit drills during Fire Prevention Week, if feasible. 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 advertise 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 Chief and/or Fire Prevention Division at extension 3620. Dilapidated buildings, rubbish accumulation and other hazards should be reported in accordance with abatement procedure 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 man in the fire department is a fire prevention inspector at all times.

Company commanders, on receipt of the Fire Prevention posters, will post these items in a suitable location at the front of each fire station where they will be visible to the public. They will remain posted through October 14, 1991.

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

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



I. FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL DAY

On October 13, 1991, fire departments across the nation are participating in the observance of Fallen Firefighters Memorial Day.

The United States flag shall be lowered to half mast on all firehouses throughout the city. At 12 noon company apparatus shall be placed on the apron with members in attendance. Sirens shall be sounded for 10 seconds.

Members are encouraged to proclaim October 13th "Fallen Firefighters Memorial Day".

II. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK ACTIVITIES

The Boston Fire Department is engaged in a program of projecting 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 advertising to your family, friends and relatives those events which are in support of this worthwhile activity and by contributing their presence whenever possible. A schedule of fire prevention activities is furnished herewith.

HOURS            MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1991

1000            THOMAS P. O'NEILL, JR. FEDERAL BUILDING  
10 CAUSEWAY STREET

Division 1 and District 3 to act as observers of evacuation drill. Ladder 1 to raise aerial with member over ladder. Engine 8 to run short line.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1991

0930            JOHN F. KENNEDY, FEDERAL BUILDING (LOW-RISE)  
GOVERNMENT CENTER

Division 1 and District 3 to act as observers of evacuation drill. Ladder 24 to raise aerial with member over ladder. Engine 4 to run short line.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1991

1000            CAPTAIN JOHN F. WILLIAMS FEDERAL BUILDING  
408 ATLANTIC AVENUE (U.S. COAST GUARD BUILDING)

Division 1 and District 3 to act as observers of evacuation drill. Ladder 1 to raise aerial with member over ladder. Engine 8 to run short line to door.



HOURS      WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 19911100      GENERAL MAIL FACILITY, SO. POSTAL ANNEX  
DORCHESTER AVENUE, DOOR 91

Division 1 and District 4 to act as observers of evacuation drill. Ladder 17 to raise aerial with member over ladder. Engine 7 to run short line to loading platform.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 19911000      JOHN W. MCCORMACK POST OFFICE & COURT HOUSE  
POST OFFICE SQUARE

Division 1 and District 3 to act as observers of evacuation drill. Ladder 24 to raise aerial with member over ladder. Engine 4 to run short line.

1400      POST OFFICE GARAGE, 135 'A' STREET

Division 1 and District 6 to act as observers of evacuation drill. Ladder 18 to raise aerial with member over ladder. Engine 39 to run short line.

In addition the Public Education Section of the Fire Prevention Division will have Fire Safety Information Booths set up at Engine 9's quarters on Monday, October 7th, Downtown Crossing on Tuesday, October 8th, the Copley Square Library on Wednesday, October 9th, and at the Boston Fire Museum on Thursday, October 10th and Friday, October 11th. All these information booths will be set up from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. These will be interactive exhibits and the public is invited to participate. The schedule of apparatus assigned to assist these seminars is as follows:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1991ENGINE 9's QUARTERS  
239 SUMNER STREET

10:00 - 3:00	Engine 9
10:00 - 3:00	Ladder 2

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1991DOWNTOWN CROSSING  
WASHINGTON & SUMMER STREETS

10:30 - 12:30	Engine 32
12:30 - 3:00	Ladder 9

THURSDAY OCTOBER 10, 1991BOSTON FIRE MUSEUM  
344 CONGRESS STREET

10:00 - 12:30	Ladder 19
12:30 - 3:00	Engine 10

FRIDAY OCTOBER 11, 1991BOSTON FIRE MUSEUM  
344 CONGRESS STREET

10:00 - 12:30	Engine 39
12:30 - 3:00	Ladder 18

During Fire Prevention Week, and the month of October, the Department has arranged for Fire Safety Videos to be broadcasted on the Boston Municipal Channel (Channel 22). Among the programs, one depicts an actual house fire, "Fire Power", and an excellent film on what it is actually like to be trapped in a fire building, "Plan To Get Out Alive". Members are encouraged to tell family and friends to watch these informative shows. A complete schedule of programs will be distributed when it is finalized.

A press release has been sent to all the local Boston papers and 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 Lieutenant Powers in the Public Relations Office, extension 3415.

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



### I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, G.L., will become effective 1700 hours, October 31, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant	
Frederick J. Barrett, Jr.	Engine Company 49
Fire Lieutenant	
Ralph Larato	Ladder Company 19
Fire Fighter	
Edward L. Civitarese	T.M.R. Division

Fire Lieutenant Barrett was appointed to the department January 21, 1948 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant December 15, 1976. Fire Lieutenant Larato was appointed January 18, 1961 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant September 1, 1976. Fire Fighter Civitarese was appointed January 28, 1953.

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 1700 hours, October 11, 1991:

Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector)	
Ronald L. Gatnik	Personnel/Medical

### III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members will be promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, November 6, 1991:

Fire Fighter	
William G. Austin	Engine Company 17
Fire Fighter	
Emmet P. Nichols	Ladder Company 10

### IV. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective 0800 hours, November 1, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant		
Maurice J. LaCascia	Engine Company 2	to Marine Unit
Fire Lieutenant		
Benjamin E. Brown, Jr.	Engine Company 17	to Rescue Company 1
Fire Lieutenant		
Leo J. Fitzgibbon	Personnel Division	to Engine Company 49
Fire Lieutenant		
Peter J. Anastasia	Marine Unit	to Personnel/Medical



## TRANSFERS CONTINUED

Fire Fighter	Courtney A. Fray	Engine Company 5	to	Engine Company 28
Fire Fighter	Gregory P. Conlan	Ladder Company 11	to	Engine Company 53
Fire Fighter	William J. Hogan	Ladder Company 1	to	Ladder Company 10
Fire Fighter	Paul D. Manning	Engine Company 16	to	Engine Company 18
Fire Fighter	James A. Meehan	Ladder Company 25	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	John T. Brignoli	Ladder Company 7	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Donald J. Rosemond	Ladder Company 19	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	James R. Donovan	Ladder Company 24	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Thomas C. Barker, Jr.	Ladder Company 6	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	William D. Ceurvels	Ladder Company 23	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	John F. Heaney	Engine Company 7	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	James J. Cahill	Engine Company 39	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	James A. Stokinger	Personnel Division	to	T.M.R. Division

## V. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES

Effective 1800 hours, October 28, 1991, company commanders shall change the designation of the following numbered fire alarm boxes to read as follows:

33-1271	MBTA State St Station, Orange Line Northbound at State & Devonshire Sts
33-1272	MBTA State St Station, Orange Line Southbound, 306 Washington St
13-1334	One Bowdoin Square Building 1 Bowdoin Sq
12-1667	Boston City Hospital, Maternity Building East Concord St
13-2373	Longwood Rehabilitation Center 53 Parker Hill Av
15-2373	Richardson Hall 47 Parker Hill Av
12-4185	The Jesuit Center 24 Cambridge St



## VI. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be established, effective 1800 hours, October 28, 1991. Company commanders shall insert the running cards issued with this order in their proper sequence.

13-1364	Boston African-American National Historic Site 46 Joy St
17-1534	Garden Office Building 250 Boylston St (SPECIAL RESPONSE)
12-1646	Boston University Medical Campus 609 Albany St
19-2235	US Postal Service, Roxbury Branch 55 Roxbury St
13-3358	Franklin Park Zoo African Tropical Forest Pavillion
12-7276	Suffolk County House of Correction, Tower Building 20 Bradston St (SPECIAL RESPONSE)
13-7276	Suffolk County House of Correction Building 3 (Enter S Bay Av & Topeka St)
14-7276	Suffolk County House of Correction Building 5 & 6 (Enter S Bay Av & Topeka St)

## VII. CHANGE IN RESPONSE

Effective immediately, company commanders shall make the following change in response:

6311	Add Rescue 1 on first alarm
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## VIII. COMMENDATIONS

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Jay Greene, Engine Company 2, for his actions while off duty, in applying pressure to a victim's stab wounds without self protection, at 1592 Blue Hill Avenue on September 27, 1991, Incident #32789, and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Steven L. Bush, Engine Company 51, for his actions while off duty, in performing unprotected CPR on a cardiac arrest victim at 324 Chestnut Hill Avenue, Incident #33391 on October 2, 1991, and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, became effective 1700 hours, October 31, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant (Equipment, Safety, Research Officer)  
Paul H. Dewan, Jr. Ladder Company 17 S7-94, C32, G.L.  
Foreman of Linemen & Cablesplitters  
John C. Miller Special Serv. Div. S7, C32, G.L.

Fire Lieutenant Dewan was appointed to the department February 19, 1969, promoted to Fire Lieutenant February 16, 1977 and appointed Equipment, Safety, Research Officer February 15, 1984. Foreman of Linemen & Cablesplitters Miller was appointed August 20, 1958 and promoted to Foreman of Linemen & Cablesplitters June 17, 1987.

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

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member will be promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, November 6, 1991:

Fire Fighter  
Eugene P. Irwin, Jr. Engine Company 7

The building located at 112 Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown, District 3, is in hazardous condition. There is loose masonry over windows. Floors near the windows are rotted due to weather conditions. The running track on the third floor is hanging precariously over the second floor. Windows are covered with plywood. Extreme caution must be taken at all times during fire fighting operations at this location. This building has been posted.



## HAZARDOUS BUILDINGS CONTINUED

The building located at 176 Everett Street, District 1, is in hazardous condition. There are holes in the first floor and roof. The rear wall is burnt out.

Extreme caution must be taken at all times during fire fighting operations at this location. This building has been posted.

## V. HIGH COMMENDATION

On October 9, 1991, Box 2293 was struck for a fire at 81 Walnut Park, a three story brick and wood apartment building, incident #34246.

Upon arrival, District 9 observed fire and smoke showing from a third floor window. A male adult was leaning out an adjacent window holding a child and appearing ready to drop him. Heavy smoke was pushing out behind them. An additional report stated there were two daughters in an adjacent bedroom. Upon report of the first due ladder company being at another incident and Rescue Company 2 out of service, two members of Engine Company 42 were ordered to begin primary search and rescue operations on the third floor.

Fire Fighters James M. Doyle and Anthony Green of Engine Company 42 proceeded to the fire floor, encountering heavy smoke and heat. Entering the apartment they observed a room involved in fire and extending out at ceiling level. Crawling low to avoid fire and heat they went past the room on fire. Fire Fighter Doyle went straight ahead into a bedroom to assist and calm the adult and child at the window. Fire Fighter Green went left down the hallway to the adjacent bedroom. The search for the two female occupants proved negative. Fire Fighter Green then proceeded back and assisted Fire Fighter Doyle in the removal of the adult and child to the outside.

Because both members performed this search and rescue at great personal risk and under difficult conditions before ventilation had begun and lines of hose placed into operation, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighters James M. Doyle and Anthony Green of Engine Company 42 and refers their cases to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

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



I. FIRE ALARM OPERATOR THOMAS CALLAHAN  
SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Alarm Operator Thomas Callahan, Special Services Division, on November 8, 1991. Fire Alarm Operator Callahan was appointed to the department May 24, 1989.

The funeral was held from the Alfred D. Thomas Funeral Home, 326 Granite Avenue, Milton, at 0900 hours, Monday, November 11, 1991, followed by a Funeral Mass in Mission Church, 1545 Tremont Street, Roxbury, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members from the Special Services Division, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters, Fire Prevention, Personnel, Training, Maintenance and Research Divisions and the Rifle Honor Guard attended the services.

II. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, G.L., will become effective 1700 hours, November 30, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant George H. Rushton	Engine Company 48
Fire Fighter (1st Marine Engr. Diesel) Arthur G. Raineri	Marine Unit

Fire Lieutenant Rushton was appointed to the department October 2, 1957 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant December 17, 1969. Fire Fighter Raineri was appointed September 4, 1963 and appointed 1st Marine Engineer Diesel on February 3, 1988.

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

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member will be promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, December 4, 1991:

Fire Fighter Richard D. Mingolelli	Engine Company 37
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## IV. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named member will become effective 0800 hours, December 1, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant			
John Stapleton	Personnel Div.	to	Engine Co. 2
Fire Lieutenant			
Gerard T. Fontana	Ladder Co. 26	to	Engine Co. 17
Fire Lieutenant			
Kevin J. Clifford	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 49
Fire Lieutenant			
Ronald J. O'Brien	Ladder Co. 19	to	Pers. Medical
Fire Fighter			
Stephen P. McCarthy	Ladder Co. 25	to	Ladder Co. 11
Fire Fighter			
Richard B. Gordon	Engine Co. 30	to	Ladder Co. 25
Fire Fighter			
Ricardo Anderson	Ladder Co. 21	to	Ladder Co. 10
Fire Fighter			
Leo Brown	Ladder Co. 10	to	Tower Company
Fire Fighter			
Kenneith A. Jones	Engine Co. 37	to	Ladder Co. 16
Fire Fighter			
James C. Feeney	Ladder Co. 4	to	Ladder Co. 7
Fire Fighter			
Stephen G. Kennedy	Engine Co. 28	to	Engine Co. 17
Fire Fighter			
Donald J. Rosemond	Pers. Medical	to	Ladder Co. 19
Fire Fighter			
James J. Carter, Jr.	Engine Co. 3	to	Pers. Medical
Fire Fighter			
Edward K. Fitzgerald	Engine Co. 53	to	Pers. Medical
Fire Fighter			
Preston McNeil	Engine Co. 42	to	Pers. Medical

## V. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

Effective 1800 hours, November 26, 1991, company commanders shall change the designation of the following numbered fire alarm box to read as follows:

14-7276	Suffolk County House of Correction
	Buildings 4 & 5 (Enter S. Bay Av & Topeka St)

## VI. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm box will be established effective 1800 hours, November 26, 1991. Company commanders shall insert the running card issued with this order in its proper sequence.

14-236	Retail Stores
	1631 thru 1639 Tremont St

## VII. SPECIAL RESPONSE

Box 16-1534 has been designated as a special response box. Company commanders shall make the required changes on the running cards.

## VIII. HIGH COMMENDATION

On November 11, 1991, Incident #38516 at 301 Huntington Avenue, box 16-1566 was transmitted for several fires within Symphony Hall. Upon arrival, Ladder Company 15 was informed by security that they believed the suspected arsonist was still in the building.

During a search of the building Fire Fighter Neil J. Martin of Ladder Company 15 saw a suspicious person in the auditorium stage area. While in pursuit the suspect attacked him with a flag pole swinging it wildly. Fire Fighter Martin, while ducking, dodging and trying to defend himself, overcame the suspect, disarmed him of his weapon, wrestled him to the floor and held him down until Boston Police placed him under arrest. Five fires were subsequently extinguished.

Because he performed this act at great personal risk, without regard for his own safety, reflecting credit upon himself and the Boston Fire Department, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Neil J. Martin of Ladder Company 15 and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

## IX. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter David Crespo, Engine Company 14, for assisting Engine Company 22 in hooking up and stretching lines at Box 1671 for a building fire at 72 W. Newton Street on November 12, 1991, while off duty, and makes this commendation a part of his personnel folder.

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



I. FIRE LIEUTENANT JAMES P. ROACHE, ENGINE COMPANY 24

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Lieutenant James P. Roache, Engine Company 24, on December 14, 1991. Fire Lieutenant Roache was appointed to the department May 17, 1972.

The funeral was held from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, West Roxbury, at 0900 hours, Tuesday, December 17, 1991, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Theresa's Church, 2078 Centre Street, West Roxbury, at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members from Engine Company 24, Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters, Fire Prevention, Personnel, Special Services, Training, Maintenance and Research Divisions, and the Rifle Honor Guard attended the services.

II. PROMOTION TO DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

The following named member is promoted to Deputy Fire Chief and transferred to Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, December 18, 1991:

District Fire Chief

Kevin P. Mac Curtain

District 5

III. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following named member is promoted to District Fire Chief, effective 0800 hours, December 18, 1991:

Fire Captain

John T. Coppney

T. M. & R. Division

IV. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named member is promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, December 18, 1991:

Fire Lieutenant

Irving W. Shea

Ladder Company 14

V. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member is promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to Personnel Division, effective 0800 hours, December 18, 1991:

Fire Fighter

Joseph E. McNulty

Engine Company 28



## VI. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following numbered fire alarm boxes will be established effective 1800 hours, December 19, 1991. Company commanders shall insert the running cards issued with this order in their proper sequence.

14-1533	Emerson College Dormitory/Office Building 100 Beacon Street (Spec. Resp.)
13-1588	Emerson College Dormitory Building 534 Beacon St (Spec. Resp.)

## VII. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

Effective 1800 hours, December 19, 1991, company commanders shall change the designation of the following numbered fire alarm box to read as follows:

12-2514	Agassiz School 20 Child St
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## VIII. FIRE ALARM BOXES DISCONTINUED

Effective 1800 hours, December 19, 1991, the following numbered fire alarm boxes have been discontinued. Company commanders shall remove and discard the numbered running cards.

14-1275, 13-7413

## IX. HIGH COMMENDATION

On October 28, 1991, the Boston Police Department Bomb Squad responded to 39 Eastbourne Street, Roslindale, for a bomb incident. A tragic explosion occurred causing the death of one police officer and seriously injuring the other.

Fire Fighter Thomas W. McKernan of Engine Company 4, while off duty and visiting his parents who reside opposite the location, heard an extremely loud blast. Without regard for his own safety, he immediately responded and rendered first aid to two bleeding and seriously wounded police officers until the arrival of Health and Hospitals Emergency Medical Technicians.

These actions were taken without personal protective gear or knowledge of a possible second bomb being present. He quickly improvised medical treatment to stop the flow of blood on one police officer who would have bled to death at the scene if not for his quick actions.

Because he performed these acts at great personal risk, reflecting credit upon himself and the Boston Fire Department, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Thomas W. McKernan of Engine Company 4 and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

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



## I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective 1700 hours, December 31, 1991:

District Fire Chief		
Charles L. Ryan	District 7	S5, C32, G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Joseph P. Gilbrook	Pers./Medical	S5, C32, G.L.
Fire Fighter		
James J. Carey	Pers./Medical	S7, C32, G.L.

District Fire Chief Ryan was appointed to the department July 5, 1950, promoted to Fire Lieutenant October 25, 1967, promoted to Fire Captain August 19, 1970 and promoted to District Fire Chief July 4, 1973. Fire Fighter Gilbrook was appointed October 13, 1965. Fire Fighter Carey was appointed August 25, 1971. 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, January 1, 1992:

Deputy Fire Chief		
Stephen K. Dunbar	Pers. Division	to Special Projects Div.
Fire Lieutenant		
Charles M. Parillo	Ladder Co. 14	to Engine Co. 53
Fire Lieutenant		
Patrick D. Murphy	Engine Co. 48 (Group 1)	to Engine Co. 48 to (Group 4)
Fire Lieutenant		
Daniel P. Callaghan	Personnel Div.	to Ladder Co. 19
Fire Lieutenant		
Michael J. Doherty	Ladder Co. 21	to Ladder Co. 26
Fire Fighter		
James A. Duffy	Tower Company	to Ladder Co. 4
Fire Fighter		
Edward S. Twitty	Pers./Medical	to Ladder Co. 10
Fire Fighter		
Donald A. Robinson	Ladder Co. 10	to Engine Co. 28
Fire Fighter		
Michael T. Blythe	Ladder Co. 2	to Engine Co. 37
Fire Fighter		
Richard T. Davis	Engine Co. 30	to Ladder Co. 25
Fire Fighter		
Martin J. Cannata	Engine Co. 49	to Engine Co. 17
Fire Fighter		
Richard F. Felton	Ladder Co. 14	to Engine Co. 53
Fire Fighter		
Joseph J. Comfrey	Engine Co. 55	to T.M.R. Division
Fire Fighter		
William D. Ceurvels	Pers./Medical	to Ladder Co. 23
Fire Fighter		
Gerald F. Spitz	Pers./Medical	to Personnel Division

## III. FIRE ALARM BOX DISCONTINUED

Effective 1800 hours, December 30, 1991, the following numbered fire alarm box will be discontinued. Company commanders shall remove and discard the numbered running cards:

12-522

## IV. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

Effective 1800 hours, December 30, 1991, the following numbered fire alarm box will be established. Company commanders shall insert the running card issued with this order in its proper sequence.

15-2356

New England Deaconess Hospital  
185 Pilgrim Road (Spec. Resp.)

## V. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Erasto Mercado of Ladder Company 24, for responding to and working at Box 1593, for a building fire at 103 Norway Street, District 5, on December 2, 1991, while off duty. Fire Fighter Mercado heard smoke detectors activate in this building and immediately responded to the fire floor and conducted an effective search and consequent evacuation of the fire floor. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel folder.

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