

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 1**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 3, 2019**

I. APPOINTMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION

The following named were appointed Fire Fighters on Probation, effective 0800 hours, January 2, 2019 and assigned to the following named companies:

Mathew J. St. Marc	Engine Company 48
Eric M. Farr	Ladder Company 28
Braedan G. Kerins	Engine Company 14
Nicholas J. Runyan	Engine Company 22
Donovan P. Sullivan	Engine Company 4
Michael P. Crowley	Engine Company 29
Mitchell J. Gillis	Engine Company 29
Brendan R. MacDonald	Engine Company 52
Mathew F. McGuire	Engine Company 49
Matthew D. Rattigan	Engine Company 29
Hunter B. Smith	Ladder Company 21
Ryan M. Bulger	Engine Company 37
Puthy Buth	Engine Company 32
Christopher D. Goff	Engine Company 32
Luke R. Ingram	Engine Company 32
Cody M. Klein	Ladder Company 11
Terriean D. Lakes	Engine Company 2
Christopher W. Springer	Engine Company 48
Andrew E. Ahern	Engine Company 51
Patrick R. Baird	Engine Company 48
Matthew K. Bradbury	Engine Company 48
Peter T. Buckley	Engine Company 49
Michael L. Chisholm	Engine Company 49
Ahkym B. Corbin	Engine Company 29

Robert D. Ferrari	Engine Company 41
Conor P. Flaherty	Engine Company 22
Joseph R. Fritz	Engine Company 51
Mark S. Garcia	Engine Company 55
Brent M. Humphrey	Ladder Company 21
Bryan A. Molano	Engine Company 32
Nicholas V. Rizzo	Engine Company 3
Christian M. Waterman	Ladder Company 2
Christopher F. Davey	Engine Company 28
Patrick E. Zawadzki	Ladder Company 2
Justin R. Capece	Ladder Company 9
Tyler J. Hallinan	Ladder Company 9
Michael J. Ferris	Ladder Company 9
Kiel C. Milliken	Ladder Company 9
Lawrence A. Buechs	Ladder Company 15
Terrance S. Baisley	Ladder Company 11
Demetrius L. Patterson	Ladder Company 11
Paul S. Dok	Ladder Company 11
Jake H. Tran	Engine Company 20
May H. Ho	Engine Company 10
Andre Molina, Jr.	Ladder Company 2
Davidson Joseph	Engine Company 49
Victor S. Munoz	Engine Company 56
Lyonel Hernandez	Engine Company 42

Wilber Calderon	Engine Company 56
William Chan	Engine Company 7
Juan Pablo De Jesus	Ladder Company 21
Lawrence L. Fong	Engine Company 7
Joshua H. Gaston	Engine Company 53
Jonathan C. Hsu	Engine Company 3

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

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 2**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 10, 2019**

II. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective on December 12, 2018:

Fire Fighter
Paul Bradley

Engine Company 22

III. COMMENDATION

On October 27, 2018 at 1516 hours, Box 1598 was struck for a building fire at 114 Hemingway Street. Upon arrival, Engine Company 37 reported smoke showing from floor 2 and immediately went into fast attack mode. District Fire Chief Dillon, District 4, arrived and assumed Command. As the fire was spreading rapidly, he ordered a second alarm. District Fire Chief Dowling, District 9, arrived and was ordered to the rear of the building. The rear of this 6 story apartment building had 5 people hanging out of the windows on the upper floors with heavy smoke pushing out behind them, requiring immediate rescue.

Tower ladder 10, under the command of Fire Lieutenant Paul J. McCarthy, was ordered to the rear of the building by DFC Dillon to affect the upper floor rescues. Tower Ladder 10 positioned their aerial bucket between the buildings and threw a 35 foot ladder to the upper floors, and was able to remove the victims without injury. TL10 then proceeded to enter floor 3 and floor 4 to conduct a primary search under high heat and limited visibility.

The actions of TL10 definitely saved lives, and were carried out in an efficient, orderly manner. They displayed excellent teamwork; all signs of a well-trained fire company.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Paul J. McCarthy, Senior Fire Fighter Michael J. Gormly, Fire Fighter William F. Joyce and Fire Fighter John Patrick McManus, all of Tower Ladder 10 for their actions at Box 1598.

This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel Files and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 3**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 28, 2019**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following member became effective on January 11, 2019:

District Fire Chief Richard F. Felton District 7

The retirement of the following member became effective on January 18, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant Brian E. Cobb Personnel/Medical

The retirement of the following member will become effective on January 31, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant Michael A. Townes Fire Prevention Division

The retirement of the following member became effective on January 18, 2019:

Fire Fighter Steven K. McLaughlin Engine Company 8

The retirement of the following member became effective on January 20, 2019:

Fire Fighter Russell J. Boone Engine Company 42
(Aid to D09)

The retirement of the following member became effective on January 22, 2019:

Fire Fighter Rafael Rivera Ladder Company 9

The retirement of the following member became effective on January 25, 2019:

Fire Fighter Melvin E. Ashley Ladder Company 1

The retirement of the following member became effective on January 25, 2019:

Fire Fighter Michael Browder Engine Company 10

The retirement of the following member became effective on January 25, 2019:

Senior Fire Alarm Operator
Robert F. D'Agostino Fire Alarm Division

District Fire Chief Richard F. Felton was appointed to the department on August 20, 1986. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on August 5, 1992, to Fire Captain on January 29, 1997, and to District Fire Chief on July 21, 2005.

Fire Lieutenant Brian E. Cobb was appointed to the department on July 9, 1997 and was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on April 2, 2003.

Fire Lieutenant Michael A. Townes was appointed to the department on June 23, 1976 and was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on December 8, 2001.

Fire Fighter Steven K. McLaughlin was appointed to the department on February 22, 1989.

Fire Fighter Russell J. Boone was appointed to the department on August 20, 1986.

Fire Fighter Rafael Rivera was appointed to the department on July 13, 1994.

Fire Fighter Melvin E. Ashley was appointed to the department on October 30, 1985.

Fire Fighter Michael Browder was appointed to the department on October 31, 1984.

Senior Fire Alarm Operator Robert F. D'Agostino was appointed to the department on April 27, 1983 and was promoted to Senior Operator on October 13, 2016.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 4**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 28, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Friday, February 1, 2019:

Fire Captain Steven J. Fairmeny	HDQ/Captain	to	Engine 49/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Daniel W. Kenneally	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 1/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Barry R. Corbett	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 2/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Mel G. M. Creary	Engine 42/Grp. 3 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Rescue 2/Grp. 1 (Advanced/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Lieutenant Dwayne E. Daye	Detail Admin. Unit	to	Fire Prevention/ Special Hazards
Fire Fighter Delight MacKinnon	Engine 9	to	Engine 30
Fire Fighter Joseph J. Houlder	Rescue 2 (Advanced/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 42 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 2, Regular/Tech-Rescue Effective 1/22/19)
Fire Fighter Edward J. Haley	Engine 42 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 4)	to	Engine 42
Fire Fighter Rodney G. Raye	Tower Ladder 10 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 42 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 4, Regular/Tech-Rescue)

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 5**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 4, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 1, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

Steven J. Mitchell

Ladder Company 23

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 1, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

Robert H. Farmer

Engine Company 28

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 1, 2019:

Fire Fighter

Edward J. Matthews

Engine Company 2

IV. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 1, 2019:

Fire Fighter

Mark T. Foley

Engine Company 3

V. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following member became effective on February 1, 2019:

Deputy Fire Chief

Gregory J. Mackin

Personnel/Medical

Deputy Chief Mackin was appointed to the department on August 20, 1986. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on January 8, 1992, to Fire Captain on April 3, 2003, to District Fire Chief on December 20, 2006, and to Deputy Fire Chief on July 31, 2014.

The retirement of the following member became effective on February 1, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

Richard T. Kelley

Engine Company 49

Fire Lieutenant Kelley was appointed to the department on April 2, 1986 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on January 30, 2004.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 6**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 14, 2019**

**I. 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, the Chief of Department, Chiefs of Operations, Fire Marshal, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of Fire Alarm, are authorized to do and perform all and singular the acts and things which I, as Head of the Fire Department, by said Chapter 148, Sections 4 & 5, am empowered to do and perform. Specific authority is hereby delegated to the said Chief of Department, Chiefs of Operations, Fire Marshal, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of Fire Alarm, to make investigations and inspections and to issue orders in writing pursuant to the provisions of said actions.

The above delegations of authority, effective as of January 31, 2019, 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.

**II. 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, the Chief of Department, Chiefs of Operations, Fire Marshal, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of Fire Alarm, are authorized to do and perform all and singular the acts and things which I, as Head of the Fire Department, by said Boston Fire Prevention Code, Section 1.21 & 1.22 am empowered to do and perform. Specific authority is hereby delegated to the said Chief of Department, Chiefs of Operations, Fire Marshal, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, Fire Fighters in the Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of Fire Alarm, to make investigations and inspections and to issue orders

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in writing pursuant to the provisions of said code.

The above delegations of authority, effective as of January 31, 2019, 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/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 7**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 21, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 20, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

James S. White

Tower Ladder 3

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 20, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

Joseph O. Walsh

Ladder Company 26

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 20, 2019:

Fire Fighter

Stephan H. Oliveira

Engine Company 17

IV. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 20, 2019:

Fire Fighter

Larry R. Rich

Engine Company 51

V. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, February 20, 2019:

Fire Fighter

Reginal R. Creighton

Rescue Company 1

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 8**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 25, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Friday, March 1, 2019:

District Fire Chief Jonathan Rodriguez	District 11/Group 3	to	District 7/Group 2
District Fire Chief Dennis B. Costin	Special Operations Division (Advanced/Haz-Mat)	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Lieutenant Lendail C. McDowall	Ladder 28/Group 1	to	Fire Prevention/ Special Occupancies
Fire Lieutenant Michael P. Dunnigan	Engine 10/Group 4 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 28/Group 1 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Lieutenant Ronald D. O'Brien	Ladder 14/Group 3	to	Engine 42/Group 3 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Lieutenant Francisco E. Diaz	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 49/Group 3
Fire Lieutenant Stephen T. Bradey	Engine 53/Group 2 (Regular/Haz-Mat)	to	Ladder 23/Group 1
Fire Lieutenant Marlon M. Wilson	Engine 29/Group 1	to	Ladder 28/Group 1
Fire Lieutenant Paul A. Dolan	Marine Unit/Group 3	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter George A. Paige	Engine 29 (ICT to DCF/Grp. 3)	to	Engine 17 (ICT to DCF/Grp. 2)
Fire Fighter Jeffrey K. Scott	Engine 17 (ICT to DCF/Grp. 2)	to	Engine 17

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 9**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 7, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION

On February 3, 2019 at approximately 0940 hours, District Fire Chief Joseph R. Casper, while off duty and from his home, observed a Massachusetts State Police Cruiser along the shore line at Pleasant Bay. With a pair of binoculars, he was able to view someone or something in the water. This was later determined to be a dog. District Fire Chief Casper alerted Fire Alarm and requested that Engine Company 2 and Ladder Company 19 be dispatched. Ultimately a full Tech/Rescue response was dispatched to the location.

Given that the dog's owner indicated his dog had been in the frigid water anywhere from 35 to 45 minutes, time was truly of the essence if companies were going to affect a successful rescue. The dog was swimming in a circle and unable to return to shore. With District Fire Chief Casper having established command and on scene while awaiting the arrival of Car 6, Fire Fighter Kyle P. Taylor of Ladder Company 18 (detailed to Engine Company 2) donned a water rescue suit and swam approximately 400 feet in the frigid water to assist the dog in its efforts to stay afloat prior to the arrival of the Tech/Rescue Companies and their zodiac boat. Members of Engine Company 2 and Ladder Company 19 provided much needed assistance to Fire Fighter Taylor by manning a tethered line and using hand signals to direct him. Both Fire Fighter Taylor and the dog were picked up by the Tech/Rescue Team in their zodiac boat and brought to shore.

Fire Fighter Taylor's quick and decisive action helped prevent this canine from succumbing to the frigid winter water temperatures and ensured that the owner and dog were reunited.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Kyle P. Taylor of Ladder Company 18 (detailed to Engine Company 2) for his actions at this incident. This Commendation shall be made part of his Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend off-duty District Fire Chief Joseph R. Casper of District 3 for his actions at this incident. This Commendation shall be made part of his Personnel File.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the Members of Engine Company 2 and Ladder Company 19 for their actions at this incident. Their training, teamwork and subsequent knowledge of standard operating procedures in this water rescue incident provided for the safety of Fire Fighter Taylor and the successful outcome of this incident. This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel File.

Engine Company 2

Fire Captain Robert H. Farmer (HQC)
Fire Fighter Patrick T. Loftus
Fire Fighter Joseph G. Ciampa
Fire Fighter Kyle P. Taylor
(Detailed from L18)

Ladder Company 19

Fire Lieutenant David J. Montoya
Senior Fire Fighter Richard S. O'Neill
Fire Fighter Paul F. McDonald
Fire Fighter Edward T. O'Donnell

II. COMMENDATION

On February 14, 2019, Box 531 was struck at approximately 0818 hours for 20 Washington Street, Brighton (Patricia White Elderly Housing). Upon arrival, Engine Company 51, receiving reports of residents hanging out of windows, grabbed a ground ladder. They proceeded to the courtyard of the complex and observed an elderly victim in the second floor window in distress due to heat and heavy smoke emanating from the adjacent apartment. They extended the ladder to the second floor window. Fire Fighters Colin J. Dockins and James A. Cooley ascended the ladder and evacuated the elderly victim down the ladder, where the victim was then transported to the hospital.

Engine Company 51 was then ordered to search the upper floors for anyone still inside, and while ascending the stairwell to the upper floors, came upon a very lethargic and disoriented elderly victim on the fourth floor. Fire Lieutenant Mark E. Williams and Fire Fighter Cooley carried the victim down four flights of stairs to the outside, where the victim was then transported to the hospital. Engine Company 51 reentered the building to continue the search on the upper floors.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the following members for their actions at Box 531 (4 Alarms). This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review:

Engine Company 51

Fire Lieutenant Mark E. Williams
Fire Fighter Colin J. Dockins
Fire Fighter James A. Cooley
Fire Fighter Allan P. Morse

III. COMMENDATION

On February 14, 2019, at approximately 0818 hours, Engine Company 29 and Ladder Company 11 were dispatched by Fire Alarm for a central station alarm for 20 Washington Street, Brighton (Patricia White Elderly Housing). Upon arrival it was noted that a heavy volume of smoke was showing from the alpha side of floor two of a five story non-combustible building. Ladder Company 11 ordered the Box struck and went into fast attack mode.

Two members of Ladder Company 11, Senior Fire Fighter Michael C. Blake and Fire Fighter Matthew J. Healy entered the building and ascended ahead of the hose team to floor two where they encountered high heat and a heavy smoke condition. Senior Man Blake located the fire apartment and isolated it by shutting the door. Fire Fighter Healey encountered a victim who was disoriented from the smoke in the second floor hallway. With the aid of Senior Man Blake, they were able to take the victim to a protected stairwell and helped him down the stairs and out the building.

Meanwhile, the remaining members of Ladder Company 11 were attempting to make entry over Ladder 11's aerial, but were pushed back by the heavy fire conditions on floor two.

Upon the arrival of subsequent companies, Ladder Company 14 and Engine Company 51 began a rescue of trapped civilians on the Charlie side of the building over ground ladders; Engine Company

29 and Engine Company 41 attacked the fire from the standpipe and Ladder Company 11's aerial, respectively.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Senior Fire Fighter Michael C. Blake and Fire Fighter Matthew J. Healy for their actions at Box 531 (4 Alarms). This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the following Companies for their combined efforts at Box 531 (4 Alarms). This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

Engine Company 29

Fire Lieutenant Edmundo James
Senior Fire Fighter Roy A. Mills
Fire Fighter Justin M. Bissonnette
Fire Fighter Roberto Sepulveda

Engine Company 41

Fire Lieutenant Juan P. Henriquez
Senior Fire Fighter Jason Jimenez
Fire Fighter Michael F. Gavin
Fire Fighter Emmanuel Rodriguez

Ladder Company 11

Fire Captain Joseph P. Minehan
Senior Fire Fighter Michael C. Blake
Fire Fighter Matthew J. Healey
Fire Fighter Brannon M. Kiontke

Ladder Company 14

Fire Lieutenant Ronald D. O'Brien
Fire Fighter Ronald F. Bigos
Fire Fighter Reaksmev Keo
Fire Fighter Owen P. Kelly

IV. CORRECTION

The transfer of Fire Fighter (Aid to the District Chief) George A. Paige of Engine Company 29, recorded on General Order Number 8, 2019 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Fire Fighter

Charles H. Paige

Engine 29

(ICT to DCF/Grp. 3)

to

Engine 17

(ICT to DCF/Grp. 2)

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 10**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 11, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following member has been promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, March 8, 2019:

Fire Captain	
Michael S. Mullen	Tower Company 10

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, March 8, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant	
Sean F. Kelly	Engine Company 18

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following members have been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, March 8, 2019:

Fire Fighter	
Patrick T. Loftus	Engine Company 2
Fire Fighter	
Joel T. Cruz	Tower Company 10
Fire Fighter	
Kevin W. Shepherd	Engine Company 51
Fire Fighter	
Michael F. Gavin	Engine Company 41

IV. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following members became effective on February 28, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

Levi Harris

Fire Prevention Division

Fire Fighter

John H. Noonan

Marine Unit

Fire Lieutenant Levi Harris was appointed to the department on January 22, 1986, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on July 13, 1994. Fire Fighter John H. Noonan was appointed to the department on January 27, 1988.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 11**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 12, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION

At approximately 1350 hours on February 26, 2019, Box 2771 was struck for a reported building fire at 6 Aldrich Street, Roslindale. Engine Company 53 and Ladder Company 16 arrived to find smoke and fire showing from the first floor front windows of a two and a half story wood frame residence. The members of Engine Company 53 advanced an attack line and Ladder Company 16 began a primary search of the home. As this was happening, Ladder 16's chauffeur, Fire Fighter Larry E. Smith, began raising the aerial to the roof. As he was raising the aerial, he noticed a young woman opening the attic window of the residence. With high heat and heavy smoke filling the stairwell and the first and second floors, Fire Fighter Smith acted quickly and positioned the aerial to the window and ascended it to her position where he then proceeded to remove her to safety.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Larry E. Smith of Ladder Company 16 for his actions at Box 2771. This Commendation shall be made part of his Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 13**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 21, 2019**

I. MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION COLLECTION AUTHORIZATION 2019

In 2019, the IAFF and the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) are partnering together to help families Live Longer and Grow Stronger. This proud tradition began in South Boston in 1952. In 1954 your union, the International, chose MDA as its official charity of choice and began collecting funds nationwide in the fight against muscular disease. Over the past 61 years "Fill the Boot" collections have raised millions of dollars.

Because of the importance of the partnership between the fire service and MDA, I am approving members of the Boston Fire Department to conduct "Fill the Boot" events for MDA on or off duty, in or out of uniform, and at intersections throughout the city, from now until the end of the year. Department members are reminded to keep safety a priority and choose locations accordingly. Prior to collecting while on-duty you must obtain permission from your District Chief and the Principal Fire Alarm Operator.

When you participate in a "Fill the Boot" event you enable the MDA to provide services to thousands of local men, women, and children who rely on MDA for help and hope while living with muscle diseases. MDA's umbrella covers Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, Spinal Muscular Atrophy, ALS/Lou Gehrig's Disease, Mitochondrial Disease, and 40+ other muscle diseases. Services in MA include specialized care at clinics (Boston Children's Hospital, Mass General Hospital, Brigham & Women's Hospital, and others), support groups, educational programs, medical equipment in loan closets, and a summer camp program for kids ages 8-17.

Money raised in Boston has helped support the discovery of the genetic cause of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, and allowed researchers to bring treatments for many diseases directly to the patients. This would not have been possible without the support that fire fighters have given MDA over the years. Results from research are continuing to happen as we work towards defeating this disease.

Thank you for your generous work as we make a profound difference in the lives of families who count on us.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 14**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 25, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Monday, April 1, 2019:

District Fire Chief Igor Verbitzki	HDQ/District Chief	to	District 11/Grp. 3
Fire Captain Joseph O. Walsh	HDQ/Captain	to	Detail Administration Unit
Fire Lieutenant Francisco E. Diaz	Engine 49/Grp. 3	to	Detail Administration Unit
Fire Lieutenant Michael R. Kates	Office Field Services	to	SOC/Haz-Mat (Effective 3/1/19)
Fire Lieutenant Michael V. Sameski	Engine 16/Grp. 1	to	Office of Field Services
Fire Lieutenant Michael P. Feeney	Engine 4/Grp. 4	to	Engine 10/Grp. 4 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Lieutenant Steven W. Parker	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 29/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Ryan J. Roach	Engine 20/Grp. 2	to	Engine 53/Grp. 2 (Regular/Tech Haz-Mat)
Fire Lieutenant David P. Mahoney	Ladder 21/Grp. 2	to	Ladder 14/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Douglas P. Menard	Engine 37/Grp. 4	to	Ladder 26/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Daniel F. Roche	Ladder 11/Grp. 4	to	TL3/Grp. 4 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Lieutenant James C. Feeney	Engine 5/Grp. 4	to	Marine Unit/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant George Egan	Engine 24/Grp. 4	to	Fire Prevention Division

Fire Fighter	Edward E. Jackson	Engine 16 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 1)	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter	Edward E. Jackson	Marine Unit	to	Engine 16 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 1)
Fire Fighter	Danny D. Ryan	Ladder 28	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter	Eric M. Wirtz	Safety/Health/ Wellness Division	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter	Richard F. Paris	Rescue 2	to	Safety/Health/ Wellness Division (Advance/Tech-Rescue)

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

I. COMMENDATION

On January 29, 2019 at 1117 hours, Ladder Company 29 and Engine Company 53 responded to a three car motor vehicle accident on Cummins Highway and Woodhaven Street. After the initial assessment and determination of no injuries, Ladder Company 29 returned Engine Company 53.

As Ladder Company 29 secured the scene, a man involved in the accident became agitated as he was exiting his vehicle and reached for his firearm. Acting Fire Lieutenant Joseph R. Vinard of Ladder Company 29 alerted Fire Fighter on Probation Scott P. Rushton of the firearm as he pushed the man to prevent him from removing the firearm from its holster. Fire Fighter on Probation Rushton grabbed the man's right hand and removed the firearm from his person.

At this time the man became more agitated and was reaching into his pockets. Fire Fighter on Probation Rushton recovered a folding knife from that man's pockets. The Boston Police responded and took custody of the scene, firearm and knife.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the members of Ladder Company 29 for their dedication to duty and dedication to the protection of the citizens of Boston. This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review:

Ladder Company 29

Fire Fighter Senior Man Joseph R. Vinard

Fire Fighter Patrick McCarron

Fire Fighter Justin M. Castellanos

Fire Fighter on Probation Scott P. Rushton

II. COMMENDATION

On February 15, 2019 at 1903 hours, Box 2378 was struck for 57 Fenwood Road. Fire Alarm announced that there was an occupant unable to exit on the first floor. Upon arrival, Engine Company 37 reported smoke showing and went into fast attack mode. Engine Company 37 stretched a line to the first floor where Ladder Company 26 was attempting to gain entry. Because of Engine Company 37 and Ladder Company 26's prior knowledge of the building and of this particular occupant, they made an aggressive fire attack and search and rescue attempt. Ladder Company 26 made entry and found a male victim confined to the hospital bed, only able to communicate using "sip and puff" assisted technology. Under heavy smoke conditions and near zero visibility, Ladder Company 26 found and removed the occupant with the help of Rescue Company 2. The victim was transported to the hospital with burns to his upper body.

Because of Engine Company 37, Ladder Company 26, and Rescue Company 2's aggressive tactics, teamwork and their prior knowledge of the building and occupant, a successful rescue was made under

difficult conditions. Fire Alarm also played a role in relaying the information of the trapped occupant prior to the arrival of the companies.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the members of Engine Company 37, Ladder Company 26, and Rescue Company 2 for their dedication to duty and to the public they serve. This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review:

Engine Company 37

Fire Lieutenant James P. Cushing
Fire Fighter Kellen F. Burke
Fire Fighter Elliot Z. Chefitz
Fire Fighter Keith R. Murphy

Ladder Company 26

Fire Captain Michael J. Palizzolo
Fire Fighter Daniel C. Castro
Fire Fighter Michael F. Devine
Fire Fighter Robert M. Noonan

Rescue Company 2

Fire Lieutenant John Sciara (HQL)
Fire Fighter Shawn E. Farrar
Fire Fighter EmiLeo R. Martinez
Fire Fighter Christopher Smith
Fire Fighter Stephen C. Turley

III. COMMENDATION

On Thursday, October 18, 2018 at approximately 2200 hours, Fire Lieutenant Gregory W. Curry of the Fire Prevention Division, while on vacation leave, gave medical assistance to a "man down" at 1106 South West 28th Street, Cape Coral, Florida. The man had been recently discharged as a patient from a hospital and was returning home when he fell on his front stairs. Summoned by neighbors, Fire Lieutenant Curry responded and rendered aid to the 78 year old victim. The victim was discovered in an upside down supine position on the front stairs. Fire Lieutenant Curry quickly stabilized and lifted the patient to an upright position and conducted a primary medical survey; he instructed a family member to dial 911 for assistance. Fire Lieutenant Curry monitored the patient's condition until the arrival of EMS. The Cape Coral Fire Department Station 6 responded; the patient was transported to the hospital for treatment.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Gregory W. Curry for his dedication to duty and to the public he serves. This Commendation shall be made part of his Personnel File.

IV. TRANSFER

The following transfer became effective on March 4, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

George Egan

Engine 24

to

Fire Prevention/
Special Occupancies

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 16**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 1, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following member has been promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, March 27, 2019:

Fire Captain
Michael B. Carey

Engine Company 42

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, March 27, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant
Edward M. Kelly

Engine Company 9

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following members have been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, March 27, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Marc R. McAndrew

Engine Company 52

IV. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following member became effective on March 22, 2019:

District Fire Chief
Kevin B. Garry

Personnel/Medical

District Fire Chief Kevin B. Garry was appointed to the department on April 22, 1998. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on April 29, 2005, promoted to Fire Captain on February 6, 2013, and promoted to District Fire Chief on June 6, 2016.

IV. RETIREMENTS (cont.)

The retirement of the following members became effective on March 31, 2019:

Fire Captain Carl DiRocco	Training Division
Fire Captain James M. Doyle	Ladder Company 25
Fire Captain Gerard S. Hobin	Engine Company 18
Fire Captain Van Littleton	Detail Administration Unit
Fire Lieutenant Phillip L. Sifford	Special Operations Division

Fire Captain Carl DiRocco was appointed to the department on August 20, 1986, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on February 7, 1996, and promoted to Fire Captain on September 13, 2016. Fire Captain James M. Doyle was appointed to the department on December 3, 1986, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on February 4, 2000, and promoted to Fire Captain on April 30, 2007. Fire Captain Gerard S. Hobin was appointed to the department on January 27, 1988, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on May 19, 1993, and promoted to Fire Captain on March 5, 2015. Fire Captain Van Littleton was appointed to the department on October 31, 1984, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on March 25, 1998, and promoted to Fire Captain on April 29, 2005. Fire Lieutenant Phillip L. Sifford was appointed to the department on July 15, 2000 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on April 29, 2005.

The retirement of the following member became effective on February 8, 2019:

Fire Fighter Bartholomew Folan	Personnel/Medical
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Fire Fighter Bartholomew Folan was appointed to the department on February 22, 1989.

The retirement of the following member became effective on March 28, 2019:

Fire Fighter Stephen J. Mullin	Air Supply Unit
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Fire Fighter Stephen J. Mullin was appointed to the department on August 20, 1986.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 17**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 22, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, April 17, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

Brian M. Sellon

Ladder Company 18

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, April 17, 2019:

Fire Fighter

John T. Miles

Ladder Company 2

III. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following member became effective on April 19, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

David W. McCann

Personnel Division

Fire Lieutenant David W. McCann was appointed to the department on February 6, 1980 and was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on December 8, 2001.

He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 18**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 25, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION

On April 15, 2019, at 0522 hours, a Technical Rescue response was dispatched to the Congress Street Bridge for the high angle rescue of a jumper. On arrival, a 31 year old male was observed climbing the bridge structure and threatening to jump.

Tower Ladder 3 deployed its bucket to the structure with two members, Fire Fighter Brett R. Hardy and Fire Fighter Michael A. Jay. The victim was unwilling to cooperate and continued to climb along the structure at approximately 40 feet above the ground.

Fire Fighter Hardy was able to calm the victim and convinced him to approach the aerial platform. The victim was agitated and expressed his intention to jump. Fire Fighter Hardy secured the combative victim and pulled him into the platform. It was then that Fire Fighter Jay observed the victim holding a knife and quickly disarmed him. The victim was restrained and stopped from harming himself or others.

The aerial was lowered to the ground where the victim was placed in Boston Police custody and transported to the hospital by Boston EMS.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Brett R. Hardy and Fire Fighter Michael A. Jay of Tower Ladder 3 for their dedication to duty and dedication to the protection of the citizens of Boston. This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

II. COMMENDATION

On April 6, 2019 at 2303 hours, a Technical Rescue response was dispatched for a report of a man in the water at 245 Summer Street in District 6. Upon arrival, a victim was observed in the dark waters of the Fort Point Channel calling for help.

Fire Lieutenant Sean M. Barrett of Tower Ladder 3 tossed a life ring to the victim. Fire Fighter Kevin J. Sheehan of Engine Company 10 immediately donned water rescue PPE. He jumped into the water from the Harbor walk adjacent to the waterway, swam to and secured the victim. Fire Fighter Michael A. Jay of Tower Ladder 3 secured a ground ladder to the railing along the Harbor Walk. This allowed Fire Fighter Brett R. Hardy of Tower Ladder 3 (detailed to Rescue Company 1), who had also donned water rescue PPE, to descend the ladder and enter the water to help. He then swam out to the victim, and both members were able to bring the man up the ladder to awaiting members. He was then transported to the hospital by Boston EMS.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Kevin J. Sheehan of Engine Company 10 and Fire Fighter Brett R. Hardy of Tower Ladder 3 for their dedication to duty and dedication to the protection of the citizens of Boston. This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel File and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 19**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 25, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Wednesday, May 1, 2019:

Fire Captain Frederick J. Hollien	Ladder 4/Group 1	to	Engine 18/Group 4
Fire Captain Eric S. Vinitsky	Ladder 24/Group 4	to	Engine 42/Group 1
Fire Captain Matthew S. Hutchinson	Engine 32/Group 3	to	Ladder 25/Group 4
Fire Captain Joseph P. Minehan	Ladder 11/Group 3	to	TL10/Group 2
Fire Lieutenant Sean M. Connelly	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 4/Group 4
Fire Lieutenant Mark A. Dunnigan	Ladder 9/Group 4	to	Engine 5/Group 4
Fire Lieutenant Joseph M. Dowd	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 9/Group 3
Fire Lieutenant Shawn M. Donovan	Ladder 4/Group 2	to	Engine 16/Group 1
Fire Lieutenant Brian Nee	Engine 8/Group 4	to	Engine 18/Group 2
Fire Lieutenant James J. Coveney	Engine 20/Group 1	to	Engine 20/Group 2
Fire Lieutenant Michael P. Boyle	Ladder 23/Group 4	to	Engine 24/Group 4
Fire Lieutenant James P. Cushing	Engine 37/Group 2	to	Engine 37/Group 4
Fire Lieutenant John J. Sciara	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 49/Group 3

Fire Lieutenant Thomas W. Beard	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 11/Group 4
Fire Lieutenant Daniel Considine	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 21/Group 2
Fire Lieutenant Stephen Avellino	Fire Prevention Division	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Brian A. Roberts	Engine 33	to	Engine 2
Fire Fighter Arthur D. Espinosa	W12	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Kenneth Green	W25	to	W12

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 20**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 29, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Wednesday, May 1, 2019:

District Fire Chief				
Brian P. Tully	Safety Division	to	HQ/SOC/HazMat	
	(Regular/Tech)		(Advanced/Tech)	
District Fire Chief				
Michael S. Mullen	HDQ/District Chief	to	Safety Chief/Grp. 3	
			(Regular/Tech)	

II. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following members will become effective on April 30, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant		
Stephen M. Montoya	Engine Company 2	
Fire Fighter		
John J. Foley	Air Supply Unit	

Fire Lieutenant Stephen M. Montoya was appointed to the department on October 31, 1984, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on March 4, 2010. Fire Fighter John J. Foley was appointed to the department on May 12, 1993.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 21**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 2, 2019**

BOARD OF MERIT

The Board of Merit, consisting of the Fire Commissioner, Chief of Department and the Deputy Fire Chiefs, has considered all meritorious acts referred to it during the year 2018. After careful consideration and study, the Board submitted the following recommendations which are hereby approved by the Fire Commissioner:

1.) Case of Fire Fighter Patrick S. Callahan, Engine Company 21

At 2019 hours on May 30, 2018, Box 1765 was struck for a building fire at 6 Woodward Park in District 7. Engine 24 reported smoke showing from the second floor, Delta side and ordered a second alarm on reports of people trapped in the building.

Upon Engine 21's arrival, Fire Fighter Patrick S. Callahan saw a woman and child at a smoke filled window on the third floor, Alpha side. He pulled a ground ladder from Engine 17 and with the help of his officer, raised it to the victim's location. During this time the smoke condition worsened and the woman lowered the child out the window. Fire Fighter Callahan ascended the ladder, and because it was five feet short of the third floor window, had to place himself on the second rung from the top so he could receive the child. He brought the child safely down the ladder and the child was transported to the hospital for treatment of smoke inhalation.

Because Fire Fighter Callahan secured this child from a position on a ground ladder that posed an extreme personal risk of falling a great distance, the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for Most Meritorious Act is hereby awarded to:

**Fire Fighter Patrick S. Callahan
Engine Company 21**

2.) Case of Fire Fighter Senior Man Stephen P. Simpson, Engine Company 21

On May 1, 2018 at 2229 hours, a Technical Rescue response was dispatched by Fire Alarm to 435 Mount Vernon Street in District 7 for a person in the water, behind the John F. Kennedy Library. Members of Engine Company 21 arrived to find bystanders stating that a person was in the water near a pier who was in distress and calling for help.

Senior Fire Fighter Stephen P. Simpson of Engine Company 21 went out onto the pier and saw a young victim clinging to a piling, clearly in distress. Fire Fighter Simpson reported what he saw and after realizing that there was no time to wait for Technical Rescue members, proceeded to climb down the piling to enter the water to assist the victim. When Fire Fighter Simpson made it to the water, he observed a crossbeam connecting the pilings together that was submerged in about three feet of water. Fire Fighter Simpson positioned himself on the crossbeam in such a way that he was able to secure the victim with his arms as he sat in the water, upon the crossbeam. The difficulty of this rescue was compounded by the fact that the victim was wearing a backpack filled with weights. Fire Fighter Simpson kept a firm hold of the victim, kept the victim from panicking, and reassured the victim that they were safe. After a short time, members in the proper cold water gear with rescue equipment arrived at the location and took the victim from Fire Fighter Simpson.

Fire Fighter Simpson's actions were performed in darkness, cold water, without the benefit of proper cold water apparel, safety equipment, and no prior knowledge of the depth of the water. Further, as Fire Fighter Simpson made his way to the water, he had no way of knowing there was a submerged crossbeam that would be of assistance in this rescue. He knowingly entered the cold water, assuming risk to himself, with the intention of keeping the victim from drowning. His quick thinking, timely action, and selflessness undoubtedly made the difference between life and death for this victim.

Because of the extreme personal risk taken by Fire Fighter Simpson at this incident to save the life of this victim, the Walter Scott Medal for Valor is hereby awarded to:

Senior Fire Fighter Stephen P. Simpson
Engine Company 21

3.) Case of Fire Lieutenant Cole R. Jenness, Ladder Company 21

On Friday, August 10, 2018 at 0839 hours, Engine Company 9 was dispatched to 340 Border Street for an unconscious person. Upon arrival, they were waived over to a barge attached to the adjacent pier by frantic workers. The workers reported that there was a co-worker in the hold of the barge who was overcome. A second worker had tried to loop the victim's foot to drag him out, but he became light headed and had to abandon the effort. This barge was a floating hollow steel container approximately twenty feet wide by forty feet long, with a twenty four inch manhole cover at one end. The manhole itself had a steel bar blocking the opening, further limiting access.

The Senior Fire Fighter of Engine Company 9, immediately sized up the situation, reported to Fire Alarm, and ordered FFOP Michael A. Guerrero, Engine Company 9 to don his SCBA. Fire Fighter Guerrero together with Fire Lieutenant Cole R. Jenness of Ladder Company

21 made entry through the opening after being tethered to a safe anchoring point. They brought with them an additional SCBA for the victim, and located the semi-conscious man approximately five feet from the bottom of the opening. They placed the victim on air and began to remove him. A full Technical Rescue response, having been dispatched by Fire Alarm, resulted in Engine Company 10 coming to the scene at which time they began monitoring air quality in the barge. Initial readings by Engine 10 had the oxygen level at 12%. The victim was removed from the barge and placed on a backboard. He was evaluated and passed over a ladder onto the pier to an ambulance.

Because of the extreme personal risk taken by Fire Lieutenant Jenness at this incident to save the life of this victim, the Edward H. Hommel, M.D. Medal of Honor is hereby awarded to:

Fire Lieutenant Cole R. Jenness
Ladder Company 21

4.) Case of Fire Fighter on Probation Michael A. Guerrero, Engine Company 9

On Friday, August 10, 2018 at 0839 hours, Engine Company 9 was dispatched to 340 Border Street for an unconscious person. Upon arrival, they were waived over to a barge attached to the adjacent pier by frantic workers. The workers reported that there was a co-worker in the hold of the barge who was overcome. A second worker had tried to loop the victim's foot to drag him out, but he became light headed and had to abandon the effort. This barge was a floating hollow steel container approximately twenty feet wide by forty feet long, with a twenty four inch manhole cover at one end. The manhole itself had a steel bar blocking the opening, further limiting access.

The Senior Fire Fighter of Engine Company 9, immediately sized up the situation, reported to Fire Alarm, and ordered Fire Fighter on Probation Michael A. Guerrero of Engine Company 9 to don his SCBA. Fire Fighter Guerrero, together with Fire Lieutenant Cole R. Jenness of Ladder Company 21, made entry through the opening after being tethered to a safe anchoring point. They brought with them an additional SCBA for the victim, and located the semi-conscious man approximately five feet from the bottom of the opening. They placed the victim on air and began to remove him. A full Technical Rescue response, having been dispatched by Fire Alarm, resulted in Engine Company 10 coming to the scene at which time they began monitoring air quality in the barge. Initial readings by Engine Company 10 had the oxygen level at 12%. The victim was removed from the barge and placed on a backboard. He was evaluated and passed over a ladder onto the pier to an ambulance.

Because of the extreme personal risk taken by Fire Fighter on Probation Michael A. Guerrero at this incident to save the life of this victim, the Edward H. Hommel, M.D. Medal of Honor is hereby awarded to:

Fire Fighter on Probation Michael A. Guerrero
Engine Company 9

5.) Case of Fire Lieutenant William L. Miller, Engine Company 21

On June 26, 2018, Box 7415 was struck for a building fire at 21 Mercer Street in District 6. Upon arrival first alarm companies encountered heavy fire coming from floor three of a three story wood frame building. As Engine Company 21 prepared to enter the building with their attack line they were informed by a citizen that there was a victim trapped on the third floor rear porch of the fire building.

Engine Company 21, under the command of Fire Lieutenant William L. Miller, proceeded to floor three and encountered heavy fire in front of the apartment which prevented Engine Company 21 from attempting a direct rescue at the rear of the apartment. Fire Lieutenant Miller and his pipe man began attacking the fire until it was under control. Fire Lieutenant Miller made his way to the second floor apartment and proceeded to the rear of the building. Fire Lieutenant Miller then advanced to the third floor porch under heavy smoke conditions where he located the occupant on her cell phone being comforted by a Boston Fire Alarm dispatcher. Fire Lieutenant Miller calmed the victim and verbally assured her that they could exit through the building safely. Fire Lieutenant Miller then removed his SCBA face piece and placed it on the victim before guiding her down to floor one using the exterior stairs. After reaching the first floor, he brought the victim through an apartment and exited from the front of the building where she was then given medical treatment.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant William L. Miller of Engine Company 21 for his actions at Box 7451. His rescue, performed with great personal risk at the rear of the building which was inaccessible to aeriels, was done prior to the placement of ground ladders or full control and suppression of the fire.

Therefore, the Roll of Merit is hereby awarded to:

Fire Lieutenant William L. Miller
Engine Company 21

6.) Case of Fire Fighter Edward E. Jackson, Incident Command Technician to District 8

On September 14, 2018, companies responded to a High Angle Rescue at the MBTA Bridge located at 1509 Blue Hill Avenue in District 8. Car 8 was first on scene and observed a person clinging to the outer fence above the MBTA train tracks. The victim was an older adult who had tired because of the distance traveled with only a couple of inches of footing. He was in danger of falling a long distance below. Fire Fighter Edward E. Jackson, Incident Command Technician to the District 8 Chief, climbed onto a short wall, then reached over the fence and grabbed hold of the victim's arms and held on to him until the arrival of Engine Company 42. The victim was then transported to the hospital.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Edward E. Jackson, Incident Command Technician to the District 8 Chief for his quick action performed with great personal risk. Fire Fighter Jackson, in the finest tradition of the Boston Fire Department, showed total dedication to duty and to the public he serves.

Therefore, the Roll of Merit is hereby awarded to:

Fire Fighter Edward E. Jackson
Incident Command Technician to the District 8 Chief

7.) Case of Fire Fighter Robert T. Anderson, Rescue Company 1

On June 29, 2018, at 0258 hours, a Technical Rescue Response was dispatched to 40 Rowe's Wharf in District 6 for a reported person in the water. Rescue Company 1 arrived on scene and was notified of a victim in the water at the end of the dock. Members of Rescue Company 1 located the victim who at the time was holding on to the edge of the dock by her fingertips. Fire Fighter Robert T. Anderson of Rescue Company 1, who had donned his survival suit en-route, immediately seeing the victim in severe distress, jumped into the harbor and secured the victim just as she could no longer hang on. Members of Engine Company 10, Tower Ladder 3 and Rescue Company 1 removed the victim, performed first aid, and assisted in preparing the victim for transport to the hospital.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert T. Anderson of Rescue Company 1 for his actions at this Technical Rescue incident. His quick actions undoubtedly saved the victim's life.

This Special Commendation is hereby awarded to:

Fire Fighter Robert T. Anderson
Rescue Company 1

8.) Case of Fire Fighter Robert C. Cox, Fire Prevention Division

On January 8, 2018 at 1302 hours, Fire Fighter Robert C. Cox of the Fire Prevention Division was working a paid detail at One Summer Street, District 3, when it was brought to his attention that a man was choking. Fire Fighter Cox did a rapid patient assessment and he determined the man could not breathe or speak; he was turning blue. Fire Fighter Cox immediately performed the Heimlich maneuver, and a foreign object became dislodged. The patient's condition began to improve. Fire Fighter Cox remained with the victim, monitoring his condition and keeping him calm until relieved by Boston Fire Companies. Fire Fighter Cox continued assisting with the patient's care until completion of the incident.

Fire Fighter Cox's successful action at this incident has brought outstanding recognition to himself and to the Boston Fire Department.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert C. Cox of the Fire Prevention Division for his devotion to duty and to the public he serves.

Therefore, the Distinguished Service Award is hereby presented to:

Fire Fighter Robert C. Cox
Fire Prevention Division

9.) Case of Fire Fighter Michael J. Szwanke, Engine Company 39

On August 23, 2018 at 1440 hours, Fire Fighter Michael J. Szwanke of Engine Company 39 was sitting in his automobile at the red light located at the intersection of Forest Avenue and Bouve Street, Brockton, MA. While sitting in his automobile, he observed a vehicle strike a man who was riding a scooter. The impact was with such force that it ejected the victim more than six feet into the air and approximately twenty feet from the point of impact. Fire Fighter Szwanke immediately put his car into park, ran over to the unconscious man and applied traction. He instructed someone in the gathering crowd to call 911.

The victim had a severely injured right lower leg. It was severed to flesh and bone, attached just by skin, with heavy arterial bleeding. Fire Fighter Szwanke fabricated a tourniquet from a shirt he received from someone in the crowd. Another man in the crowd helped support the victim's head and neck while Fire Fighter Szwanke controlled the bleeding by putting pressure on the victim's femoral artery. While holding pressure, Brockton Engine Company 5 arrived on the scene, relieved Fire Fighter Szwanke, and continued patient care.

Fire Fighter Szwanke's quick action at this incident has brought outstanding recognition to himself and to the Boston Fire Department.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Michael J. Szwanke of Engine Company 39 for his devotion to duty and to the public he serves.

Therefore, the Distinguished Service Award is hereby presented to:

Fire Fighter Michael J. Szwanke
Engine Company 39

**10.) Case of District Fire Chief Francis G. Jones, Special Operations Division
Technical Rescue**

District Fire Chief Francis G. Jones is a forty year veteran of the Boston Fire Department and currently leads the Special Operations Division/Technical Rescue. Throughout his career, District Fire Chief Jones has consistently demonstrated a desire to improve rescue operations and promote safety on the fire ground.

While assigned to Special Operations Command he has demonstrated great dedication and passion in designing and implementing numerous training projects that meet the diverse and evolving needs of our department. This has allowed the Boston Fire Department to carry out its core mission of providing protection and safety to the residents and visitors of the City of Boston.

District Fire Chief Jones was part of a team that created the Metro-Boston Swift Water Rescue Team. This specially trained team of forty Boston Fire Department rescuers are now equipped with rescue boats and lifesaving equipment. These members are capable of locating and rescuing people trapped by floodwaters and saving victims that have fallen through the ice.

Chief Jones improved heavy vehicle rescue training. This enhanced training prepares Boston Fire Department rescuers to respond to accidents involving trucks, buses, aircraft and rail

cars. Rescue members are trained to stabilize and force entry into these large vehicles using sophisticated extrication tools. Rescuers are then able to perform careful patient removal from the entangled vehicle.

Chief Jones began a project to upgrade the Boston Fire Department's technical training location. This modernization has resulted in construction projects and training props at the site that provides realistic and effective training tools. This has vastly improved the quality of training and thereby increased the safety of members.

Finally, Chief Jones has worked with outside agencies to improve emergency response planning with major construction firms. This initiative resulted in several successful rescues within Boston Harbor and at construction sites throughout the city.

Therefore, the Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence is hereby presented to:

District Fire Chief Francis G. Jones
Special Operations Division/Technical Rescue

11.) Case of Fire Captain John M. Gallagher, Drill Master/Training Division

Fire Captain John M. Gallagher is a thirty nine year veteran of the Boston Fire Department. In June of 2015, because of his vast field experience, he was appointed Drill Master of the Moon Island Training Academy. In this capacity, Captain Gallagher has made great contributions to the Boston Fire Department. During his tenure as Drill Master, he has personally supervised the training of one hundred eighty five Boston Fire Department recruits and twenty recruits from surrounding cities and towns. He ensured that every Boston recruit received their Fire Fighter I/II certification and were designated as First Responders before graduating the Academy and reporting to their assigned companies. To date, he has achieved an eighty three percent pass rate for recruits obtaining their State EMT certification. As the lead instructor, Captain Gallagher personally gave one hundred fifty lectures and supervised one hundred eighty live fire exercises during the highly successful Back to Basics program. From scratch, he developed and supervised training for twenty three newly delivered engines, nine existing engines, nine newly delivered ladder trucks and two new tower units, before each was placed in service. He was instrumental in the design and building of the "rear porch" structure for the tactical training building. He proved to be invaluable in assisting in the design of the new flow path simulator, currently under construction at the Moon Island training facility.

Captain Gallagher's extraordinary speaking and analytical skills are unmatched in the Boston Fire Department. Captain Gallagher's expertise in testing new equipment and developing curriculum for the Boston Fire Department's Training Academy has improved the Department's training methods and has increased the level of safety at the academy and at incidents in the field. Captain Gallagher is a tremendous asset to the Boston Fire Department, and reflects the utmost credit upon himself, the Department, and the Fire Service.

Therefore, the Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence is hereby presented to:

Fire Captain John M. Gallagher
Drill Master/Training Division

**12.) FIRE COMMISSIONER'S CIVIC LEADER APPRECIATION AWARD
BLAIR MILLER, 25 NEWS**

Blair Miller is a Boston 25 News anchor and reporter. His reporting has taken him to the scene of major news stories, including the Boston Marathon Bombings, the Virginia Tech Shootings, and the Super Bowl. He produced an Emmy Award winning program, *Deep Sea Drug War*, that took Blair to the Pacific Ocean with the US Coast Guard to see their crackdown on major drug cartels.

Blair first began investigating and reporting on the alarming rate of cancer diagnoses among Boston fire fighters in 2016. He reported on the many health, safety and wellness initiatives that were introduced by the Department in 2014 to combat this cancer epidemic, such as enhanced protective equipment, changes in operational tactics and greater cancer screening programs. Since that initial report, Blair continued with his coverage, following the lives and trials of fire fighters battling this escalating pandemic disease. In March 2018, Blair produced and anchored the prime time program, *Boston's Bravest: Facing a Hidden Killer*, that focused on occupational cancer within the Boston Fire Department. Miller followed up the *Boston's Bravest* program in February 2019, reporting on fire fighter concerns over potentially dangerous chemicals on bunker gear.

Blair's investigative reporting on fire fighter occupational cancer issues through Boston 25 News and the *Boston's Bravest* programs has shined a light with the general public on our primary fire service concerns in ways that the Boston Fire Department alone could not achieve. As a direct result of his work, he has galvanized concerned citizens and corporate entities alike to support and contribute to the Boston Fire Department and the Boston Fire Department Relief Fund to help us in our fight against this cancer epidemic.

In recognition of his exemplary work to raise awareness surrounding fire fighter occupational cancer issues, and the direct impact his reporting has generated to help Boston Fire Department members and fire fighters everywhere, the Boston Fire Department is proud to honor Blair Miller with the 2019 Fire Commissioner's Civic Leader Appreciation Award.

13.) Commissioner's Unit Citation

On February 6, 2018 at 1936 hours, Engine Company 37 and Ladder Company 26 responded to Box 2335 for 86 Annunciation Road. Upon arrival Engine Company 37 reported "smoke showing" from the first floor of a three story brick housing development. District 9 struck a second alarm due to reports from bystanders of someone trapped in the first floor apartment.

With this information, Ladder Company 26 entered the building without the protection of a charged line to search for victims. Upon entering the building, members could detect a heavy odor of smoke emanating from an apartment on the first floor. After receiving no response from inside the apartment, members of Ladder Company 26 proceeded to force open the door to do a primary search. They were met with a heavy smoke condition, with fire visible in a back room. Fire Fighter Bryan E. O'Connor of Ladder Company 26 found an unconscious victim on the sofa, and with the help of Fire Fighter Daniel C. Castro and Senior Fire Fighter Hacmoni Cuevas, carried the woman out to the hallway. Engine Company 37 members, Captain James P. McAdams, Fire Fighter Christopher P. Amato and Fire Fighter Levar B. Thomas advanced the hose line to protect the victim and the search team members. Ladder Company 26, assisted by Rescue Company 2 and the remaining members of Ladder Company 26, removed the victim to the exterior and performed rescue breathing. The victim was transported to the hospital. Members of Engine Company 37 extinguished the fire while the members of Ladder Company 26 ventilated the apartment and conducted a secondary search in which no other victims were found.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the members of Engine Company 37 and Ladder Company 26 for their teamwork, adherence to good strategy and tactics, and intelligent aggressiveness.

Therefore, the Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to:

ENGINE COMPANY 37
Captain James P. McAdams
Fire Fighter Christopher P. Amato
Fire Fighter Levar B. Thomas
Fire Fighter Karlos Roque

LADDER COMPANY 26
Senior Fire Fighter Hacmoni Cuevas
Fire Fighter Daniel C. Castro
Fire Fighter Bryan E. O'Connor
Fire Fighter Kevin B. Halsey

14.) Commissioner's Unit Citation

While on harbor patrol aboard the M.V. Father Dan near the Conley Terminal on August 3, 2018 just after 1400 hours, Fire Fighter Marine Pilot Robert J. Doyle and Fire Fighter Francis G. Clines witnessed a lightning strike on the harbor in the vicinity of a 60' sailboat off of Castle Island. With visibility less than 100 yards due to fast incoming storm clouds, they decided to turn the boat around and head toward the sailboat. Shortly after the lightning strike, a Mayday transmission was heard over the radio. As Fire Fighters Doyle and Clines approached, they found the vessel with smoke showing and nine passengers on board ready to abandon their vessel into the water. They deftly pulled aside the burning vessel and quickly evacuated all nine of the passengers onto the M.V. Father Dan and immediately took them to shore. Hearing the Mayday call, the M.V. John Damrell with Lieutenant Edward J. White, Fire Fighter Marine Pilot John G. Sylvester, and Fire Fighter Isaac Florez quickly responded, and located the incident despite the poor visibility. With all nine passengers safely evacuated by the M.V. Father Dan, Lieutenant White and Fire Fighter Florez boarded the vessel and advanced a line below deck, encountering heavy smoke and heat conditions. They quickly located the fire in the engine compartment and extinguished the flames by applying foam before the fire spread throughout the vessel. Without question their quick, aggressive attack salvaged the vessel and saved it from sinking. Through their dedication to training, quick thinking and sound decision making, the members of the Marine Unit saved the nine passengers from certain further danger and quickly mitigated a difficult incident.

Therefore, the Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to:

MARINE UNIT

Fire Lieutenant Edward J. White
Fire Fighter Marine Pilot Robert J. Doyle
Fire Fighter Isaac Florez
Fire Fighter Francis G. Clines
Fire Fighter Marine Pilot John G. Sylvester

15.) Commissioner's Unit Citation

On Friday, August 10, 2018 at 0839 hours, Engine Company 9 and Ladder Company 21 were dispatched to 340 Border Street for an unconscious person. Upon arrival, they were called over to a barge attached to the adjacent pier by frantic workers. The workers reported that there was a co-worker in the hold of the barge who was unconscious. A second worker had tried to loop the victim's foot to drag him out, but he became light headed and had to abandon the effort. This barge was a floating hollow steel container approximately twenty feet wide by forty feet long, with a twenty four inch manhole cover at one end. The manhole itself had a steel bar across its opening, further limiting access.

Senior Fire Fighter Joseph Viola of Engine Company 9, immediately sized up the situation, reported to Fire Alarm, and ordered Fire Fighter on Probation Michael A. Guerrero of Engine Company 9 to don his SCBA. Fire Fighter on Probation Guerrero, together with Fire Lieutenant Cole R. Jenness of Ladder Company 21 made entry through the opening after being tethered by Senior Fire Fighter Viola and Fire Fighter Michael S. Locust of Engine Company 56. They brought with them an additional SCBA for the victim, and located the unconscious man approximately five feet from the bottom of the opening. They placed the victim on air and began to remove him. A full Technical Rescue response, having been dispatched by Fire Alarm, resulted in Engine Company 10 coming to the scene at which time they began monitoring air quality in the barge. Initial readings by Engine Company 10 had the oxygen level at 12%, far below safe limits. The victim was removed and placed on a backboard. A primary survey was conducted and he was transported to the hospital.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the members of Engine Company 9 and Ladder Company 21 for their teamwork and application of Department procedures in this confined space rescue.

Therefore, the Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to:

ENGINE COMPANY 9

Senior Fire Fighter Joseph Viola
Fire Fighter on Probation Michael A. Guerrero
Fire Fighter Paul A. Edmeade (Detailed from Engine 5)
Fire Fighter Michael S. Locust (Detailed from Engine 56)

LADDER COMPANY 21

Fire Lieutenant Cole R. Jenness
Senior Fire Fighter Joseph N. Harris
Fire Fighter Harry K. Davis (Detailed from Engine 56)
Fire Fighter Kenneth M. Moore

16.) Commissioner's Unit Citation

On October 1, 2018, Box 3695 was struck for 6 Rainier Road in District 12, with Fire Alarm "receiving calls" and that someone was trapped on the first floor. Upon arrival, Engine Company 53 and Ladder Company 16 reported smoke showing from the windows of the first floor Delta side of the building. Command was established and companies went into fast attack mode. Ladder Company 16 made entry to the first floor apartment as Engine Company 53 advanced a 1 3/4" attack line in behind them. Fire Fighter Brian D. Burke of Ladder 16 found the

fire in a bedroom on the Delta side and controlled the door until Fire Lieutenant Jeffrey Clark, Fire Fighter Brian J. Murray and Fire Fighter David Curtis of Engine Company 53 could get their attack line in place to protect the ladder crew and begin extinguishment. Fire Lieutenant William McGuirk and Fire Fighter William J. Malcomb of Ladder Company 16 were performing a primary search in the hallway and rooms adjacent to the fire room. The fire compromised the bedroom door and started to spread down the hallway and above the companies. Engine Company 53 extinguished the heavy fire in the room, allowing Ladder Company 16 to advance further into the room. Fire Fighter Malcomb found an unconscious victim on the floor of the bedroom and called for assistance. Fire Fighter Malcomb, Fire Fighter Curtis, Fire Lieutenant McGuirk and Fire Lieutenant Clark carried the victim out to safety.

Therefore, the Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to:

ENGINE COMPANY 53

Fire Lieutenant Jeffrey Clark
Fire Fighter Brian J. Murray
Fire Fighter David Curtis
Fire Fighter Joseph P. Finn

LADDER COMPANY 16

Fire Lieutenant William McGuirk
Fire Fighter Brian D. Burke
Fire Fighter William J. Malcomb
Fire Fighter Matthew P. Marian

17.) Commissioner's Unit Citation

On October 27, 2018 at 1516 hours, Box 1598 was struck for a building fire at 114 Hemingway Street. Upon arrival, Engine Company 37 reported smoke showing from floor two and immediately went into fast attack mode. District Fire Chief Michael P. Dillon, District 4, arrived and assumed Command. As the fire was spreading rapidly, he ordered a second alarm. District Fire Chief Robert L. Dowling, District 9, arrived and was ordered to the rear of the building. The rear of this six story apartment building had five people hanging out of the windows on the upper floors with heavy smoke pushing out behind them, requiring immediate rescue.

Tower Ladder 10, under the command of Fire Lieutenant Paul J. McCarthy, was ordered to the rear of the building by District Fire Chief Dillon to affect the upper floor rescues. Tower Ladder 10 positioned their aerial bucket between the buildings and extended a 35 foot ladder to the upper floors, and was able to remove the victims without injury. Tower Ladder 10 then proceeded to enter floor three and floor four to conduct a primary search under high heat and limited visibility.

The actions of Tower Ladder 10 accomplished multiple rescues, and were carried out in an efficient, orderly manner. They displayed excellent teamwork; all signs of a well-trained fire company.

Therefore, the Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to:

TOWER LADDER 10

Fire Lieutenant Paul J. McCarthy

Senior Fire Fighter Michael J. Gormley

Fire Fighter William F. Joyce

Fire Fighter John Patrick McManus

18.) Commissioner's Community Service Award

On Thursday, July 12, 2018 an employee of the Boston Fire Department and member of the Boston Athletic Club, District Fire Chief Dennis Costin, went into cardiac arrest after playing a game of hand ball. The Boston Athletic Club Fitness Director, Mr. Richard Kreis witnessed this arrest and immediately retrieved the Clubs' defibrillator. He applied it while doing a patient assessment and delivered two shocks, restoring Chief Costin's heartbeat.

Boston Ladder Company 18 of District 6 arrived shortly thereafter, and along with Boston EMS continued care and transported Chief Costin to the hospital.

Mr. Richard Kreis saved Chief Costin's life. His quick and decisive actions, along with his knowledge and ability to deliver CPR are the reasons why Chief Costin is still with us today.

Therefore, on behalf of the Boston Fire Department, the Fire Commissioner's Community Service Award is hereby presented to:

Mr. Richard Kreis
Fitness Director, Boston Athletic Club

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 22**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 2, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, May 2, 2019:

Fire Fighter

Ronald F. Solis

Engine Company 16

II. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following member became effective on April 17, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

Stephen M. Avellino

Engine Company 50

Fire Lieutenant Stephen M. Avellino was appointed to the department on November 15, 1995, and was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on April 8, 2008.

He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 23**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 7, 2019**

140th ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

The 140th Annual Awards Ceremony of the Boston Fire Department will be held Thursday evening, May 23, 2019, at the Sheraton Hotel Boston Grand Ballroom, 39 Dalton Street, Boston.

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department and the Officers of the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund have given considerable time and thought into preparing a program that will be interesting and enjoyable for all.

PROGRAM

1800 hours	Registration Open Cocktail Hour in the Ballroom Foyer Silent Auction
1910 hours	National Anthem Boston Fire Department Acappella Quartet Deputy Fire Chief Michael J. Ruggere District Fire Chief James J. Hoar Fire Fighter William Carey Fire Fighter Grant L. Emde
1920 hours	Invocation by Reverend Daniel J. Mahoney Chief Chaplain, Boston Fire Department
1925 hours	Dinner
2000 hours	Greetings by the President of the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund, Fire Lieutenant Charles J. Popp, Marine Unit Fire Fighter Robert Petitti, President of Local 718 Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department Joseph E. Finn The Honorable Martin J. Walsh, Mayor Master of Ceremonies Maria Stephanos of WCVB Channel 5 News Presentation of Awards Scholarship Drawings

Presentation of the Commissioner's Community Service Award

Mr. Richard Kreis, Fitness Director, Boston Athletic Club

Presentation of the Commissioner's Unit Citation

Fire Captain

James P. McAdams

Engine Company 37

Fire Fighter

Christopher P. Amato

Engine Company 37

Fire Fighter

Levar B. Thomas

Engine Company 37

Fire Fighter

Karlos Roque

Engine Company 37

Senior Fire Fighter

Hacmoni Cuevas

Ladder Company 26

Fire Fighter

Daniel C. Castro

Ladder Company 26

Fire Fighter

Bryan E. O'Connor

Ladder Company 26

Fire Fighter

Kevin B. Halsey

Ladder Company 26

Presentation of the Commissioner's Unit Citation

Fire Lieutenant

Edward J. White

Marine Unit

Fire Fighter Marine Pilot

Robert J. Doyle

Marine Unit

Fire Fighter

Isaac Florez

Marine Unit

Fire Fighter

Francis G. Clines

Marine Unit

Fire Fighter Marine Pilot

John G. Sylvester

Marine Unit

Presentation of the Commissioner's Unit Citation

Senior Fire Fighter	
Joseph Viola	Engine Company 9
Fire Fighter on Probation	
Michael A. Guerrero	Engine Company 9
Fire Fighter	
Paul A. Edmeade	Engine Company 9
(Detailed from Engine 5)	
Fire Fighter	
Michael S. Locust	Engine Company 9
(Detailed from Engine 56)	
Fire Lieutenant	
Cole R. Jenness	Ladder Company 21
Senior Fire Fighter	
Joseph N. Harris	Ladder Company 21
Fire Fighter	
Harry K. Davis	Ladder Company 21
(Detailed from Engine 56)	
Fire Fighter	
Kenneth M. Moore	Ladder Company 21

Presentation of the Commissioner's Unit Citation

Fire Lieutenant	
Jeffrey Clark	Engine Company 53
Fire Fighter	
Brian J. Murray	Engine Company 53
Fire Fighter	
David Curtis	Engine Company 53
Fire Fighter	
Joseph P. Finn	Engine Company 53
Fire Lieutenant	
William McGuirk	Ladder Company 16
Fire Fighter	
Brian D. Burke	Ladder Company 16
Fire Fighter	
William J. Malcomb	Ladder Company 16
Fire Fighter	
Matthew P. Marian	Ladder Company 16

Presentation of the Commissioner's Unit Citation

Fire Lieutenant

Paul J. McCarthy

Tower Ladder 10

Senior Fire Fighter

Michael J. Gormley

Tower Ladder 10

Fire Fighter

William F. Joyce

Tower Ladder 10

Fire Fighter

John Patrick McManus

Tower Ladder 10

Presentation of the Fire Commissioner's Civic Leader Appreciation Award

Blair Miller

Boston 25 News

Presentation of the Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence

District Fire Chief

Francis G. Jones

Special Operations Division
Technical Rescue**Presentation of the Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence**

Fire Captain

John M. Gallagher

Drill Master/Training Division

Presentation of the Distinguished Service Award

Fire Fighter

Michael J. Szwanke

Engine Company 39

Presentation of the Distinguished Service Award

Fire Fighter

Robert C. Cox

Fire Prevention Division

Special Commendation

Fire Fighter

Robert T. Anderson

Rescue Company 1

Presentation of the Roll of Merit

Fire Fighter

Edward E. Jackson

Incident Command Technician
to District 8

Presentation of the Roll of Merit

Fire Lieutenant

William L. Miller

Engine Company 21

Presentation of the Edward H. Hommel, M.D. Medal of Honor

Fire Lieutenant

Cole R. Jenness

Ladder Company 21

Presentation of the Edward H. Hommel, M.D. Medal of Honor

Fire Fighter on Probation

Michael A. Guerrero

Engine Company 9

Presentation of the Walter Scott Medal for Valor

Fire Fighter Senior Man

Stephen P. Simpson

Engine Company 21

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

Fire Fighter

Patrick S. Callahan

Engine Company 21

Award recipients will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 23, 2019 to 0800 hours, May 24, 2019.

The Honor Guard will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 23, 2019 to 0800 hours, May 24, 2019.

The Gaelic Fire Brigade Pipes and Drums will be excused from duty 0800 hours, May 23, 2019 to 0800 hours, May 24, 2019.

The Boston Fire Department Acappella Quartet will be excused from duty 0800 hours, May 23, 2019 to 0800 hours, May 24, 2019.

The Relief Fund members will be excused from duty 0800 hours, May 23, 2019 to 0800 hours, May 24, 2019.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 24**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 28, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Saturday, June 1, 2019:

Fire Captain				
Robert H. Farmer	HDQ/Captain	to	Engine 32/Grp. 3	
Fire Captain				
Sean P. Gibbons	Ladder 17/Grp. 4	to	Ladder 4/Grp. 1	
Fire Captain				
Joseph O. Walsh	Detail Administration Unit	to	Ladder 11/Grp. 3	
Fire Captain				
Steven J. Mitchell	HDQ/Captain	to	Ladder 24/Grp. 4	
Fire Lieutenant				
Kevin M. McCarthy	Engine 17/Grp. 2	to	Engine 2/Grp. 1	
Fire Lieutenant				
John F. Kelly	Ladder 1/Grp. 4	to	Engine 8/Grp. 4	
Fire Lieutenant				
Jonathan P. Healy	Ladder 24/Grp. 3	to	Engine 20/Grp. 1	
Fire Lieutenant				
Michael P. Tuohy	Engine 50/Grp. 1	to	Engine 37/Grp. 2	
Fire Lieutenant				
Eamon M. O'Leary	Engine 14/Grp. 2	to	Ladder 4/Grp. 2	
Fire Lieutenant				
Alan P. Royer	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 9/Grp. 4	
Fire Lieutenant				
Daniel R. Dowling	Engine 14/Grp. 1	to	Ladder 18/Grp. 3	
Fire Lieutenant				
Steven P. Caulfield	Engine 24/Grp. 2	to	Ladder 23/Grp. 4	

Fire Fighter	Michael J. Cullen	Engine 52	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Peter J. Starkey	Engine 55	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Robert L. Mentos	Engine 32	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Gerald L. Garris	Engine 9	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Ronald C. Majors	Fire Prevention Division	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Joseph F. Mahoney	Ladder 19	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter	Christopher M. McCarron	Engine 20	to	Engine 33 (Regular Tech/Haz-Mat)
Fire Fighter	Matthew C. Vaitiskis	Engine 10 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 55
Fire Fighter	Joseph P. Kirby	Tower Ladder 10 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 14 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 3 Advance/Tech-Rescue)

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 25**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 30, 2019**

I. ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION

The following named Fire Fighters on Probation who were appointed to the department on January 2, 2019, have completed drill school and reported to their assigned companies on May 4, 2019:

Conor P. Flaherty	Engine Company 22
May H. Ho	Engine Company 10
Jonathan C. Hsu	Engine Company 3
Christopher W. Springer	Engine Company 48
Christian M. Waterman	Ladder Company 2

These members shall report to Florian Hall at 0930 hours for graduation ceremonies on June 6, 2019.

Company Commanders shall be aware that the following named Fire Fighters on Probation who were appointed to the department on January 2, 2019, shall report to Florian Hall at 0930 hours for graduation ceremonies on June 6, 2019:

Mathew J. St. Marc	Engine Company 48
Eric M. Farr	Ladder Company 28
Braedan G. Kerins	Engine Company 14
Nicholas J. Runyan	Engine Company 22
Donovan P. Sullivan	Engine Company 4
Michael P. Crowley	Engine Company 29
Mitchell J. Gillis	Engine Company 29
Brendan R. MacDonald	Engine Company 52
Mathew F. McGuire	Engine Company 49
Matthew D. Rattigan	Engine Company 29
Hunter B. Smith	Ladder Company 21
Ryan M. Bulger	Engine Company 37
Puthy Buth	Engine Company 32
Christopher D. Goff	Engine Company 32
Luke R. Ingram	Engine Company 32
Cody M. Klein	Ladder Company 11
Terriean D. Lakes	Engine Company 2
Andrew E. Ahern	Engine Company 51
Patrick R. Baird	Engine Company 48
Matthew K. Bradbury	Engine Company 48
Peter T. Buckley	Engine Company 49
Michael L. Chisholm	Engine Company 49

ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION (CONTINUED)

Ahkym B. Corbin	Engine Company 29
Robert D. Ferrari	Engine Company 41
Joseph R. Fritz	Engine Company 51
Mark S. Garcia	Engine Company 55
Brent M. Humphrey	Ladder Company 21
Bryan A. Molano	Engine Company 32
Nicholas V. Rizzo	Engine Company 3
Christopher F. Davey	Engine Company 28
Patrick E. Zawadzki	Ladder Company 2
Justin R. Capece	Ladder Company 9
Tyler J. Hallinan	Ladder Company 9
Michael J. Ferris	Ladder Company 9
Kiel C. Milliken	Ladder Company 9
Terrence S. Baisley	Ladder Company 11
Demetrius L. Patterson	Ladder Company 11
Paul S. Dok	Ladder Company 11
Jake H. Tran	Engine Company 20
Andre Molina, Jr.	Ladder Company 2
Davidson Joseph	Engine Company 49
Victor S. Munoz	Engine Company 56
Lyonel Hernandez	Engine Company 42
Wilber Calderon	Engine Company 56
William Chan	Engine Company 7
Juan Pablo De Jesus	Ladder Company 21
Lawrence L. Fong	Engine Company 7
Joshua H. Gaston	Engine Company 53

These members shall report to their companies on June 8, 2019 at 0800 hours for full duty.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 26**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 30, 2019**

I. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following member will become effective on May 31, 2019:

Fire Fighter
(Incident Command Specialist)

Leo P. Hughes

Tower Ladder 10

Fire Fighter Leo P. Hughes was appointed to the department on February 6, 1980.

He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 28**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 3, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, June 3, 2019:

Fire Fighter

Dwayne W. Gumbs

Engine Company 16

II. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following member became effective on May 17, 2019:

Fire Fighter

James J. Higgins

Personnel/Medical

Fire Fighter James J. Higgins was appointed to the department on October 31, 1984.

He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 29**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 5, 2019**

I. FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL SUNDAY

The One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Anniversary of Fireman's Memorial Sunday will be held on Sunday, June 9, 2019. Reverend Carl B. Thompson, Assistant Boston Fire Department Chaplain, will conduct the ceremonies at Forest Hills Cemetery at 0930 hours. The Chief Marshal will be District Fire Chief and Charitable Association President Charles J. Papineau. Deborah B. Goldberg, Massachusetts State Treasurer and Receiver General, will be the Orator of the Day.

Trustees of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department and the Boston Fire Department Honor Guard will report to Chief of Operations/Support Services John F. Walsh at the archway via the Morton Street entrance at 0915 hours. Regulation uniform for all members will be sack coat with tie and white gloves.

Members of the Honor Guard will be excused from duty from 1800 hours, June 8, 2019 to 0800 hours June 10, 2019.

A Catholic Mass will be celebrated at the Forsyth Chapel, Forest Hills Cemetery, by Assistant Chaplain Father John J. Unni before the Memorial Service, at 0830 hours, for all who wish to attend.

The Fire Commissioner and the Chiefs of Operations urge all off duty members to make every effort to attend these services. The Fire Commissioner gives permission to retired members to wear their Class A uniform.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 30**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 12, 2019**

VENDOME MEMORIAL

On Monday, June 17, 2019, the 47th Anniversary of the Vendome tragedy will be commemorated with a wreath laying service conducted at 1200 hours at the site of the Vendome Memorial. The Vendome Memorial honors the nine Boston Fire Fighters who died in the line of duty on June 17, 1972, at Box 1571.

Fire Lieutenant Thomas J. Carroll	Engine Company 32
Fire Lieutenant John E. Hanbury	Ladder Company 13
Fire Fighter Thomas W. Beckwith	Engine Company 32
Fire Fighter Joseph F. Boucher	Engine Company 22
Fire Fighter Charles E. Dolan	Ladder Company 13
Fire Fighter John E. Jameson	Engine Company 22
Fire Fighter Richard B. Magee	Engine Company 33
Fire Fighter Paul J. Murphy	Engine Company 32
Fire Fighter Joseph P. Saniuk	Ladder Company 13

This is our opportunity to stand and honor these nine brave fire fighters who made the supreme sacrifice while serving the people of this city. All members are cordially invited to attend.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 31**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 12, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION

On May 6, 2019 at 1758 hours, Box 2449 was struck for 125 Amory Street in District 9. Upon arrival, Car 9 assumed command and ordered Rescue Company 2, under the command of Fire Lieutenant Robert J. McGrath, to the 4th floor where residents indicated the fire was located.

Rescue 2 encountered a heavy smoke condition and began their search for the fire. 125 Amory Street is a large high rise/elderly/handicap occupied apartment building. Rescue 2 was able to locate the fire in an apartment using thermal imaging equipment. They forced entry and began a primary search. Rescue 2 located a blind elderly female occupant. They removed her to the first floor lobby for treatment by Boston EMS.

This rescue was performed under zero visibility, high heat and without the benefit of a charged line. Without the quick actions of Rescue 2 a life would have been lost.

The Fire Commissioner wishes to commend the following members of Rescue Company 2 for their actions at this fire. This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel file, and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

Fire Lieutenant Robert J. McGrath
Fire Fighter Shawn E. Farrar
Fire Fighter Matthew M. Paul
Fire Fighter Emileo R. Martinez

II. COMMENDATION

On May 9, 2019 at 1135 hours, Engine Company 30 and Ladder Company 25 were dispatched by Fire Alarm to an automobile accident located at 1702 Centre Street, West Roxbury. Upon their arrival, they found off duty Fire Fighter Patrick H. Connolly of Ladder Company 29 administering first aid to an adult male victim trapped in a construction van. Fire Fighter Connolly assisted the companies and remained with the patient until he was extricated and transferred to Boston EMS.

The Fire Commissioner wishes to commend Fire Fighter Patrick H. Connolly of Ladder Company 29 for his devotion to duty and to the public he serves. This Commendation shall be made part of his Personnel file.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 32**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 24, 2019**

**I. FIRE LIEUTENANT PAUL V. HOBAN
ENGINE COMPANY 16**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department announces the death of Fire Lieutenant Paul V. Hoban., Engine Company 16, on June 16, 2019. Fire Lieutenant Hoban was appointed to the department on February 22, 1989.

The wake was held on June 23 at the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock Street, Quincy, Massachusetts, with the Funeral Mass being held at Saint Ann's Church, 757 Hancock Street, Quincy at 1030 hours on June 24, 2019.

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Division 1, Division 2, Headquarters Divisions, and the Honor Guard attended the service.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 33**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 25, 2019**

II. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following member will become effective on June 30, 2019:

District Fire Chief Dennis B. Costin

Special Operations Division
(Adv/Tech)

District Fire Chief Dennis B. Costin was appointed to the department on February 22, 1989. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on February 6, 1991, to Fire Captain on January 29, 1997, and to District Fire Chief on September 26, 2008.

He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 34**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 26, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Monday, July 1, 2019:

Fire Captain James S. White	HDQ/Captain	to	Ladder 17/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Edward J. Glasheen	Rescue 1/Grp. 4 (Advance/Tech Rescue)	to	Personnel Division
Fire Lieutenant Thomas G. Connelly	Engine 5/Grp. 2	to	Engine 14/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Christopher J. Goggin	Engine 50/Grp. 3	to	Engine 14/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Matthew R. Kenneally	Ladder 19/Grp. 3	to	Engine 17/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Stephen T. Brady	Ladder 23/Grp. 1	to	Engine24/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Christopher E. Stevens	Engine 21/Grp. 3	to	Engine50/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Damon T. Schersten	HQL/Lieutenant	to	Ladder1/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant David T. McCann	HQL/Lieutenant	to	Ladder24/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Steven Kinney	Ladder 7/Grp. 1	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter Kevin Cotton	Engine 49	to	Personnel Division
Fire Fighter Gregory P. Conlan	Rescue 2 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Michael A.Gallager	Ladder 15 (Regular Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	Engine 2

Fire Fighter Thomas J. Barry	Engine 2	to	Engine 7
Fire Fighter Aleksi C. Nicklas	Engine 22 (Advance Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	Engine 10 (Regular/Tech- Rescue)
Fire Fighter Mark K. Flaherty	Ladder 4	to	Engine 14
Fire Fighter Brian D. McKenna	Ladder 7	to	Engine 20
Fire Fighter Brian J. Kirk	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 20
Fire Fighter Jack S. Giordano	Engine 30	to	Engine 28 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Thomas E. McDonough	Engine 39	to	Engine 30
Fire Fighter Daniel T. Lane	Engine 17	to	Engine 30
Fire Fighter Brian J. McCarthy	Engine 10 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 37
Fire Fighter Grant L. Emde	Engine 4	to	Engine 37
Fire Fighter Richard J. Treanor	Ladder 9	to	Engine 41
Fire Fighter Steven P. Bradley	Rescue 2 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 42 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Keith P. Hanson	Tower Ladder 3 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 42 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Emmanuel Rodriguez	Engine 41	to	Engine 49
Fire Fighter Thomas B. Brittan	Engine 49	to	Engine 52

Fire Fighter Timothy M. Sullivan	Engine 50	to	Engine 52
Fire Fighter Matthew P. Murphy	Ladder 14	to	Engine 52
Fire Fighter Gary W. Russell	Engine 53 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 1)	to	Engine 53
Fire Fighter Gary W. Russell	Engine 53	to	Engine 53 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 1)
Fire Fighter Jacob Yee	Engine 41	to	Engine 55
Fire Fighter Christopher C. Rogers	Engine 29	to	Ladder 11
Fire Fighter Paul P. Jablonski	Ladder 24	to	Ladder 15 (Regular Tech/Haz-Mat)
Fire Fighter Joshua R. Steiss	Engine 18	to	Ladder 15 (Regular Tech/Haz-Mat)
Fire Fighter Kevin M. Shaughnessy	Ladder 18	to	Ladder 19
Fire Fighter Jeffrey L. Wilson	Engine 50	to	Ladder 19
Fire Fighter Bryan J. Griffin	Engine 3	to	Engine 2
Fire Fighter Justin M. Bissonnette	Engine 29	to	Ladder 2
Fire Fighter Robert P. Creaven	Engine 29	to	Engine 39
Fire Fighter Marc S. Bunszell	Engine 29	to	Ladder 11
Fire Fighter Seth E. Parker	Engine 32	to	Engine 50
Fire Fighter Joshua M. Waters	Engine 32	to	Engine 50

Fire Fighter	Rafael A. Hernandez Jr.	Ladder 2	to	Engine 9
Fire Fighter	Patrick J. Gorman	Ladder 2	to	Ladder 25
Fire Fighter	Joseph W. Geary	Ladder 9	to	Engine 3
Fire Fighter	Gregory L. Burton	Ladder 9	to	Engine 32
Fire Fighter	William H. Sweeney	Ladder 11	to	Ladder 1
Fire Fighter	Garrett M. Breton	Ladder 11	to	Engine 41
Fire Fighter	Eric P. Wier	Ladder 11	to	Engine 10
Fire Fighter	Matthew J. Healey	Ladder 11	to	Engine 8
Fire Fighter	Ryan T. McLaughlin	Ladder 28	to	Engine 4
Fire Fighter	Larry E. Smith	Ladder 16 (Regular Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	Fire Investigation Unit

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 35**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JULY 2, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, June 27, 2019:

Fire Fighter

William E. Schulze

Engine Company 42

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 37**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JULY 11, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following member has been promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, July 11, 2019:

Fire Captain

Frederick D. Lorenz

Ladder Company 2

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, July 11, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant

Christopher R. Jerry

Engine Company 7

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following members have been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, July 11, 2019:

Fire Fighter

Joseph A. Quinn

Engine Company 16

Fire Fighter

James F. Colvin

Engine Company 21

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 38**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JULY 29, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Thursday, August 1, 2019:

District Fire Chief Paul P. Keeley	District 7/Grp. 1	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Captain Mark A. Corwin	Fire Prev-Special Occup.	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Captain Brian M. Sellon	Detail Admin. Unit	to	Driver Training
Fire Captain Eamon M. O'Leary	HDQ/Captain	to	Detail Admin. Unit
Fire Captain Christopher R. Jerry	HDQ/Captain	to	Training Div.
Fire Lieutenant Barry R. Corbett	Ladder 2/Grp. 4	to	Engine 5/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Shawn M. Donovan	Engine 16/Grp. 1	to	Engine 16/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Kevin M. Preston	Ladder 14/Grp. 1	to	Engine 21/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Donald E. Foley	Ladder 9/Grp. 2	to	Engine 50/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant John F. McDonald	Ladder 18/Grp. 4	to	Ladder 7/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Robert Dean	Ladder 29/Grp.	to	Ladder 19/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Ronald D. O'Brien	Engine 42/Grp. 3 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Ladder 23/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Erik C. Then	Tower Ladder 3/Grp. 2 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Rescue 1/Grp. 4 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Ramon Alicea	Ladder 28	to	W-25-Eff. 6/1/19
Fire Fighter Ballin L. Wright	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)	to	Safety Health and Wellness Eff. 6/1/19
Fire Fighter Richard C. Brantley	Engine 20	to	W-12

Fire Fighter				
Martin D. Gordon	Engine 8	to	Engine 39	
Fire Fighter				
Brad J. Watts	Engine 30	to	Engine 48	
Fire Fighter				
Adam M. Gallagher	Engine 4	to	Ladder 24	
Fire Fighter				
John P. Piccione	Engine 53	to	Engine 29 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 3)	
Fire Fighter				
Anthony J. Vargas	Ladder 28	to	Hazmat	

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 39**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
AUGUST 29, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Sunday, September 1, 2019:

District Fire Chief Paul G. Glora	Personnel Division	to	Fire Prevention Division (Eff. 8/1/19)
District Fire Chief David C. Harrison	District 12/Grp. 1	to	District 7/Grp. 1 (Regular Tech/Haz-Mat)
District Fire Chief Michael B. Carey	HDQ/Chief Pool	to	Personnel Division
Fire Captain Willie Harris	HDQ/Captain Pool	to	Fire Prevention Division (Eff. 7/19/19)
Fire Captain Calvin Smalls	Fire Prevention	to	Fire Prevention Division (Special Occup. – Eff. 8/1/19)
Fire Captain Sean F. Kelly	HDQ/Captain Pool	to	Ladder 2/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Lendail C. McDowall	Fire Prevention	to	Personnel Division (Eff. 8/1/19)
Fire Lieutenant Patrick M. Slattery	Ladder 24/Grp. 1	to	Engine 7/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Robert K. Kelly	Engine 3/Grp. 2	to	Engine 16/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Ryan J. Oag	Ladder 18/Grp. 2	to	Engine 42/Grp. 3 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Lieutenant Wilfredo Pacheco	Training Division	to	Engine 51/grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Gregory J. Dunham	Ladder 21/Grp. 1	to	Ladder 2/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Michael P. Tuohy	Engine 37/Grp. 2	to	Ladder 4/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Edward J. Matthew	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 9/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Mark E. Williams	Engine 51/Grp. 3	to	Ladder 14/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant John F. Nee	Engine 39/Grp. 4	to	Ladder 18/Grp. 4

Fire Lieutenant Peter Cullen	Ladder 6/Grp. 3	to	Ladder 29/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Michael P. Dunnigan	Engine 28/Grp. 1 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Tower Ladder 3/Grp. 2 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Derek M. Melendy	Engine 50	to	Fire Prevention Division (Const. – Eff. 8/1/19)
Fire Fighter Kevin S. Foley	Engine 2	to	Air Supply Unit
Fire Fighter Scott E. Murphy	Ladder 15 (Regular Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	Engine 8
Fire Fighter Matthew J. Drouin	Engine 22 (Advance Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	Engine 8
Fire Fighter Sahel Pushtoonyar	Engine 39	to	Engine 49
Fire Fighter Michael J. Lydon	Engine 10 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Tower Ladder 3 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Steven P. Bradley	Engine 42 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Rescue 2 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Brian Hardima	Ladder 14	to	Rescue 2 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter William G. Carey	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)	to	Rescue 2 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Joseph A. Lee	Ladder 29	to	Rescue 2 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter John T. Morrissey	EAP	to	Engine 55(Eff. 8/21/19)
Fire Fighter Gary W. Russell	Engine 53 (ICT to DFC/Grp.1-Reg. Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	Engine 17 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 1)

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 40**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 4, 2019**

I. SEPTEMBER 11th REMEMBRANCE

The Boston Fire Department shall commemorate the eighteenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and the subsequent losses suffered at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and in Pennsylvania in the following manner:

0945 hours: Apparatus taken out of quarters to the apron in front of the firehouse

0950 hours: All on-duty personnel shall assemble at attention in front of apparatus and maintain silence

0959 hours: Time of South Tower Collapse
Fire Alarm strikes FDNY signal 5-5-5-5 (two rounds)
Lower flag to half-staff
One minute of complete silence
Return to normal duties

1028 hours: Time of North Tower Collapse
Fire Alarm strikes signal 5-5-5-5 (two rounds)
Raise flag to full-staff

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 41**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 6, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following members were promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, July 19, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant Willie K. Harris	Engine Company 51
Fire Lieutenant Eamon M. O'Leary	Ladder Company 4

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, July 19, 2019:

Fire Fighter Michael W. Lee	Engine Company 42
Fire Fighter Robert D. Bottary	Rescue Company 2
Fire Fighter Edward E. Jackson	Engine Company 16
Fire Fighter Richard M. MacDonald	Engine Company 24

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 42**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**

**I. FIRE LIEUTENANT LEROI RODRIGUEZ
LADDER COMPANY 25**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department announces the death of Fire Lieutenant LeRoi Rodriguez, Ladder Company 25, on July 16, 2019. Fire Lieutenant Rodriguez was appointed to the department on April 1, 1987, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on February 9, 2011.

The wake was held on July 22, 2019 at Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, West Roxbury, Massachusetts, with the Funeral Mass being held at Saint Michael Cemetery Chapel, 500 Canterbury Street, Roslindale at 1100 hours on July 23, 2019.

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Division 1, Division 2, Headquarters Divisions, and the Honor Guard attended the service.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 43**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following member became effective on July 12, 2019:

District Fire Chief	
Michael O. Celona	Executive Assistant to the Fire Commissioner

District Fire Chief Celona was appointed to the department on October 30, 1985. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on January 13, 1993, promoted to Fire Captain on July 24, 1996, promoted to District Fire Chief on August 13, 2014, and appointed Executive Assistant to the Fire Commissioner on April 1, 2017.

The retirement of the following member became effective on July 8, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant	
James B. O'Brien	Safety, Health and Wellness Division

Fire Lieutenant O'Brien was appointed to the department on May 12, 1993, and was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on December 2, 1998.

The retirement of the following members became effective on July 12, 2019:

Fire Fighter	
Michael Buchanan	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter	
Thomas E. Curtin	Fire Prevention Division

Fire Fighter Buchanan was appointed to the department on January 18, 1978. Fire Fighter Curtin was appointed to the department on October 31, 1984.

The retirement of the following member became effective on July 19, 2019:

Fire Alarm Operator	
Nancy E. Vinard	Fire Alarm Division

Fire Alarm Operator Vinard was appointed to the department on 9/19/05.

RETIREMENTS (cont.)

The retirement of the following member became effective on July 26, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant	
Robert P. Driscoll	Personnel Division

Fire Lieutenant Driscoll was appointed to the department on December 6, 1978, and was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on June 16, 2005.

The retirement of the following members became effective on July 31, 2019:

Fire Fighter	
Kenneith A. Jones	Special Operations Division

Fire Fighter	
Gabriel D. Centeio	Engine Company 41

Inside Wireperson	
Kevin J. Drinan	Fire Alarm Division

Fire Fighter Jones was appointed to the department on October 31, 1984. Fire Fighter Centeio was appointed to the department on January 27, 1988. Inside Wireperson Kevin Drinan was appointed to the department on January 27, 1988.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

I. COMMENDATION

On July 25, 2019 at 0105 hours, a technical rescue response was dispatched for a below grade rescue at the intersection of Dorchester Avenue and Von Hillern Street (incident #19-0045970). Engine 21 was first on scene and found a semiconscious man who had fallen from a MBTA overpass onto the train tracks below. Members of Engine 21 radioed Fire Alarm to alert the MBTA that there was a person on the tracks and proceeded to deploy a ground ladder to access the patient.

Fire Lieutenant James Colvin and Fire Fighter Matt Nelson, with the assistance of Fire Fighters Rod MacKinnon and Michael Ball descended the ground ladder to the victim. They accessed scene safety, made their initial patient assessment, and began patient care. On the bridge deck, Fire Fighters MacKinnon and Ball set up a relay system with their personal safety ropes and began transferring equipment to prepare the patient for extraction. At the patient's side, Fire Fighter Nelson was able to calm and stabilize him with a cervical collar and then secure him to a backboard with assistance from Engine 10. As the technical rescue companies and equipment arrived on scene, all members of Engine 21 assisted in the removal of the patient from the tracks using a Stokes Basket and rope hoist system. Additionally, Engine 21 acted as safety spotters for any train traffic and also assisted with the guide ropes during the hoist rescue.

These actions were carried out in an efficient, professional manner in a high stress environment and displayed excellent teamwork.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant James Colvin, Fire Fighter Matt Nelson, Fire Fighter Rod MacKinnon, and Fire Fighter Michael Ball all of Engine Company 21 for their actions at Incident #19-0045970, July 25, 2019.

This commendation shall be made part of their personnel files and is referred to the Board of Merit for consideration for a Commissioner's Unit Citation.

**BY ORDER OF COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 45**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 26, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 0800 hours:

District Fire Chief Gerard Viola	District 3/Grp 3	to	District 12/Grp. 1 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Lieutenant Edward E. Jackson	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Safety, Health and Wellness (Eff. 9/1/19)
Fire Lieutenant Colin M. Doherty	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 3/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Wilfredo Pacheco	Engine 51/Grp. 2	to	Engine 28/Grp. 1 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Lieutenant Mark A. Dunnigan	Engine 5/Grp. 4	to	Engine 37/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Daniel R. Dowling	Ladder 18/Grp. 3	to	Engine 39/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Larry R. Rich	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 51/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Patrick M. Slattery	Engine 7/Grp. 4	to	Ladder 6/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Marc R. Hayhurst	Engine 8/Grp. 2	to	Ladder 18/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Reginal R. Creighton	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 21/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Christopher M. Dunn	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 24/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant John F. Kelly	Engine 8/Grp. 4	to	Ladder 25/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Henry L. Perkins	Engine 55/Grp. 1	to	Fire Prevention
Fire Lieutenant Damon T. Schersten	Ladder 1/Grp. 4	to	Training Division
Fire Fighter William W. Cosby	H-2/Special Unit	to	Pers./Med.

Fire Fighter Kevin D. Morrissey	Engine 10 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 4, Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Pers./Med.
Fire Fighter Thomas J. Carroll	Ladder 6	to	H-2/Special Unit
Fire Fighter Robert G. Flinn	Engine 52	to	Engine 2
Fire Fighter Tyrone A. Marshall	Engine 17	to	Engine 3
Fire Fighter Alexander Cho	Engine 22 (Advance Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	Engine 9
Fire Fighter Robert E. Broadway	Engine 9	to	Engine 22 (Advance Tech/Haz-Mat)
Fire Fighter Aron M. McCabe	Ladder 18	to	Engine 17
Fire Fighter Augusto C. Martinez	Engine 5	to	Engine 41
Fire Fighter Justiniano Plaza	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech -Rescue)	to	Engine 42 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Christopher J. Cunningham	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 42 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Trenton M. Parson	Ladder 11	to	Ladder 1
Fire Fighter Michael J. O'Neil	Ladder 21	to	Ladder 1
Fire Fighter William H. Sweeney	Ladder 1	to	Engine 8
Fire Fighter James Shone	Engine 30	to	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Keith A. Berk	Engine 4 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 3)	to	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Keith A. Berk	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 53 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 1, Regular/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Robert E. Barrett	Tower Ladder 3 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Rescue 1 (Advance/Tech-Rescue)

Fire Fighter

Daniel T. Lynch

Tower Ladder 3
(Regular/Tech-Rescue)

to

Rescue 1
(Advance/Tech Rescue)

Fire Fighter

Timothy D. Gerety

Ladder 2

to

Rescue 1
(Advance/Tech-Rescue)

Fire Fighter

Frank J. Fortes

Engine 20

to

W-25/Grp. 3

Fire Fighter

Michael T. O'Sullivan

Engine 52

to

Engine 16
(ICT to DFC/Grp. 2)

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following member will become effective on September 30, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant	
Edward P. Stoking	Rescue Company 1

Fire Lieutenant Stoking was appointed to the department on April 2, 1986. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on December 8, 2001.

The retirement of the following member became effective on September 20, 2019:

Fire Fighter	
Hansy Rigueur	Ladder Company 28

Fire Fighter Rigueur was appointed to the department on October 31, 1984.

The retirement of the following member became effective on September 27, 2019:

General Foreman	
Kevin McCarey	Fire Alarm Construction Division

General Foreman McCarey was appointed to the department on June 27, 1979. He was promoted to Working Foreman on September 24, 1990, promoted to Foreman of Construction on February 10, 2012, and promoted to General Foreman on April 23, 2018.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 47**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 2, 2019**

I. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

The Boston Fire Department is committed to serving the community by protecting life, property, and the environment through prevention, education, emergency medical and fire service. To remind the public of the importance of this mission and to engage them in participating in activities directed toward the common goal of achieving a fire safe community, the Boston Fire Department announces that Fire Prevention Week in the City of Boston will be observed from **October 6 through October 12, 2019.**

It is the sincere wish of the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department that all members of the department support Fire Prevention Week activities. This may be done by conveying to your family, friends and relatives those events which are in support of this worthwhile activity and by requesting their presence whenever possible.

The theme for Fire Prevention Week 2019 is:

“Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape!”

This year’s campaign “Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape!” works to educate everyone about the small but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe.

In a typical home fire, you may have as little as one to two minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Escape planning and practice can help you make the most of the time you have, giving everyone enough time to get out.

The Fire Prevention Division will distribute “Plan Your Escape” banners to each firehouse. These banners shall be displayed on the front of firehouses from **0800 hours, October 6 through 1700 hours, October 12, 2019.**

Firehouses tours will be scheduled with local schools and the Education Officer will be present to lead the fire safety messages. The purpose of firehouse tours is for conveying information concerning fire department functions and fire prevention matters. If educational material is needed, it can be obtained by calling the Fire Education Office at 617-343-3337.

District Fire Chiefs are directed to take an active interest in Fire Prevention Week programs and activities in their districts. They shall facilitate and coordinate all requests for tours, fire drills, lectures, or other fire prevention activities brought to their attention. On each day tour during Fire Prevention Week, District Chiefs shall have identified and prearranged for a fire drill at a minimum of one occupancy deemed suitable in their district.

The occupancy selected by the District Chief may be any multi-residential development, school, dorm or business. Contact with the staff at these facilities should be made in advance with the understanding that fire department emergencies and operational contingencies may affect the ability of the fire department to attend and witness the drill on short notice.

These drills may be conducted by a company officer who will grade the drill as good, fair or poor. The officer shall promptly forward a Form 5A to the Fire Marshal's office at Fire Prevention indicating the date and time of the drill, the grade given, facility name, address and the contact person. It would also be of benefit to both the fire department and the participating facility if the facility management documented participation in these drills on their own stationary and forward it to the Fire Prevention Division.

Firefighters are to be vigilant at all times for the presence of fire hazards along their route when traveling to and from work. BFD Permits are required for all buildings being erected, demolished, or significantly remodeled, as well as for the storage and use of flammable gases. Dilapidated buildings, rubbish accumulation and other hazards should be reported in accordance with the Notice of Violation procedures as outlined in SOP # 401. Should you come across an imminent fire hazard or emergency at any time, you should contact 911. Notify your District Fire Chief and/or Fire Prevention Division at extension 3-3628 if further assistance is required in determining that a less imminent hazard or violation exists.

All sworn members of the fire department are public employees that have taken an oath to support the Ordinances of the City of Boston. This includes the Boston Fire Prevention Code. In short, every uniformed member in the fire department is a *de facto* fire prevention inspector and should act with proper regard for this responsibility at all times. The public has reasonable expectations that department members have a general knowledge and interest in the subject of fire prevention. Therefore, during Fire Prevention Week, all members should have this subject upmost in their minds.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 48**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 15, 2019**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following member becomes effective on October 31, 2019:

Fire Captain Joseph M. Adduci Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Captain Adduci was appointed to the department on September 24, 1986. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on May 05, 2011, and promoted to Fire Captain on September 26, 2014.

The retirement of the following member becomes effective on October 31, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Daniel B. Mahoney Special Unit

Fire Fighter Mahoney was appointed to the department on February 06, 1980.

The retirement of the Following member becomes effective on October 31, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Paul Bowen Engine 10 / C-600

Fire Fighter Bowen was appointed to the department on April 21, 1986.

The retirement of the following member becomes effective on October 18, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Jeffery K. Scott Engine 17

Fire Fighter Scott was appointed to the department on July 31, 1996.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 49**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 22, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following member was promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, October 21, 2019:

Fire Captain
Gerald J. Powers

Engine company 17

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following members were promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective October 21, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant
Michael S. Moran

Engine Company 32

Fire Lieutenant
Gregory T. Nicholas

Engine Company 07

III. PROMOTOION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective October 21, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Thomas P. Taylor

Engine Company 14

Fire Fighter
Richard W. Densmore

Engine Company 28

**BY ORDER OF THE FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 50**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 21, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Friday, November 01, 2019 at 0800 hours:

District Fire Chief Joseph Provenzano	HDQ/District Chief	to	District 3/Grp. 3
Fire Captain Jamie J. Walsh	Engin16/Grp. 2	to	FIU
Fire Captain Robert J. Hawe	Engine 20/Grp. 3	to	Pers./Med.
Fire Lieutenant Emmett Reed	Ladder 28/Grp 2	to	Fire Prevention Effective 8/01/19
Fire Lieutenant Edward D. Bergdoll	Engine 16/Grp. 4	to	Personnel Division
Fire Lieutenant John T. Miles	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 5/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant David T. McCann	Ladder 24/Grp. 3	to	Engine 7/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Steven W. Parker	Engine 29/Grp. 1	to	Engine 8/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Richard M. Macdonald	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 8/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Joel T. Cruz	HDQ/ Lieutenant	to	Engine 51/Grp. 2
Fire Lieutenant Giuseppe A Guarino	Engine 32/Grp. 4	to	Engine 55/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Patrick T. Loftus	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 1/Grp. 4

Fire Lieutenant Michael F. Tierney	Ladder 17/Grp. 1	to	Ladder 18/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Shawn M. Donovan	Engine 16/Grp. 3	to	Rescue 1/Grp. 1_ (Advanced/Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Timothy E. Roach	Engine 2	to	Pers./Med.
Fire fighter Collin M Herelle	Engine 8	to	Pers./Med.
Fire Fighter Joseph P. McDonough	Engine 2	to	Pers./Med.
Fire Fighter Nicholas F. Ciocca	Tower Ladder 10 (Regular/Tech-Rescue)	to	Tower Ladder 3 (Regular Tech/Rescue)
Fire Fighter Wayne Abron	Engine 51	to	W-25/Grp. 2

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 51**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 31, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following member was promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, October 31, 2019:

Fire Captain
Colin P. Kelly

Engine Company 03

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member was promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, October 31, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant
Sean M. Barrett

Tower Ladder 03

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, October 31, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Jay R. Gormley

Ladder Company 16

Fire Fighter
David Busch

Engine Company 16

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 52**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 05, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION

On August 03, 2019 a water rescue was dispatched for a person threatening to jump a high distance from the Meridian Street Bridge in East Boston. Acting District Fire Chief Guy Cammarata and his aide, Fire Fighter Kevin Bailey arrived on scene first. Acting Chief Cammarata reported the draw bridge was in the up position and a man had crossed over the guard rail and was at the edge. The man was acting erratically, shouting, and gesturing that he was going to jump. Acting Chief Cammarata approached and attempted to coax him from the edge, while Fire Fighter Bailey and Fire Lieutenant Dwayne Gumbs (Ladder 02) attempted to discretely position themselves between the jumper and the water.

As Acting Chief Cammarata got closer, the jumper recognized that two fire fighters were moving to cut off his path and he rushed to jump from the bridge. Upon seeing this, Acting Chief Cammarata tackled the man at the bridge edge while Lieutenant Gumbs and Fire Fighter Bailey assisted by restraining the man until the police took him into custody.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Acting District Fire Chief Guy Cammarata, Fire Lieutenant Dwayne Gumbs, and Fire Fighter Kevin Bailey for their actions at incident # 19-0048354 / Meridian Street, District 1.

This commendation shall be made part of their personnel files and is referred to the Board of Merit for further review.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 53**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 07, 2019**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following member becomes effective on November 30, 2019:

District Fire Chief
Francis G. Jones

Special Operations Command

District Chief Jones was appointed to the department on September 05, 1979. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on March 04, 1987, promoted to Fire Captain on December 08, 2001, and promoted to District Fire Chief on August 13, 2004.

The retirement of the following member becomes effective on November 30, 2019:

Fire Fighter
James A. Duffy

Ladder Company 19

Fire Fighter Duffy was appointed to the department on February 06, 1980

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

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT

JOSEPH E. FINN

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 54**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 13, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, November 13, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Erik Anderson

Engine Company 42

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 55**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 21, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO CHIEF OF OPERATIONS / FIELD SERVICES

Effective 0800 hours, November 21, 2019 the following member has been promoted to Chief of Operations / Field Services:

Deputy Fire Chief
Robert J. Calobrisi

Division 1 / C-06

II. PROMOTION TO CHIEF OF OPERATIONS / SUPPORT SERVICES

Effective 0800 hours, November 21, 2019 the following member has been promoted to Chief of Operations / Support Services:

Deputy Fire Chief
Andre Stallworth

Division 2 / C-07

III. PROMOTION TO DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

The following members were promoted Deputy Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, November 21, 2019:

District Fire Chief
James P. Green

District 08

District Fire Chief
Brian P. Tully

Special Operations

IV. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following members were promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, November 21, 2019:

Fire Captain
Dennis P. Devlin

Engine Company 05

Fire Captain
Deanna M. McDevitt

Engine Company 39

V. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following members were promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, November 21, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant
Keith M. Kelly

Engine Company 03

Fire Lieutenant
Brian R. Hartigan

Engine Company 33

VI. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, November 21, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Keith M. Wilson

Engine Company 17

Fire Fighter
Nicholas B. Bonaceto

Ladder Company 04

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 58**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 27, 2019**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following member becomes effective on November 30, 2019:

District Fire Chief
Francis G. Jones

Special Operations
Technical Rescue

District Fire Chief Jones was appointed to the department on September 05, 1979. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on March 04, 1987, promoted to Fire Captain on December 08, 2001, and promoted to district Fire Chief on August 13, 2004.

The retirement of the following member becomes effective on November 30, 2019:

Fire Fighter
James A. Duffy

Training Division
Safety Specialist

Firefighter Duffy was appointed to the department on February 06, 1980

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 59**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 29, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Sunday December 01, 2019 at 0800 hours:

Deputy Fire Chief David J Walsh	Personnel Division	to	HDQ / Deputy Pool
Deputy Fire Chief James P. Greene	HDQ / Deputy Pool	to	Personnel Division
District Fire Chief Joseph R. Casper	District 3/Grp. 2	to	Executive Assistant to The Fire Commissioner
Fire Captain Jose A. Estrella	Engine 52/Grp.1	to	Engine 16 /Grp. 2
Fire Captain Mark P. Miller	Engine 22/Grp.2	to	Engine 17/Grp.1
Fire Captain Sean B. Linnell	Engine 21/Grp.4	to	Engine 20/Grp.3
Fire Lieutenant Edward C. Curran	Ladder 29/Grp.3	to	Pers./Med.
Fire Lieutenant Sean M. Connelly	Engine 4/Grp.4	to	Engine 7/Grp.3
Fire Lieutenant John J. Dooley	Ladder 26/Grp.3	to	Engine 16/Grp.3
Fire Lieutenant Lendall C. McDowall	Personnel Division	to	Engine 16/Grp.4
Fire Lieutenant Kevin W. Shepherd	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 29/Grp.1
Fire Lieutenant Alan P. Royer	Ladder 9/Grp.4	to	Engine 32/Grp.1

Fire Lieutenant Michael F. Gavin	HDQ/ Lieutenant	to	Engine 32/Grp.4
Fire Lieutenant Mark T. Foley	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 17/Grp.1
Fire Lieutenant David Busch	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 24/Grp.3
Fire Lieutenant Stephen H. Oliveira	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 28/Grp.2
Fire Lieutenant William M. Regan	Engine 37/Grp.1	to	Ladder 29/Grp.3
Fire Fighter Christopher P. Fay	Engine 24	to	Engine 4 (ICT to DFC/Grp.3)
Fire Fighter Gregory Magee	Ladder 11	to	Per./Med. (Effective 10/23/19)
Fire Fighter Robert V. Vazquez	Ladder 28	to	Per./Med. (Effective 11/20/19)
Fire Fighter Joseph A. Ford	Engine 33	to	Engine 2
Fire Fighter Eric C. Evans	Engine 33	to	Engine 2
Fire Fighter John J. MacNeill	Engine 53	to	Engine 10 (Regular / Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter John W. MacKinnon	Engine 30	to	Engine 24
Fire Fighter Michael W. Westwater	Engine 52	to	Engine 17 (ICT to DFC/Grp.4)
Fire Fighter William J. Hogan	Engine 5	to	Ladder 11

Fire Fighter

Brian R. Johnson

Ladder 11

to Ladder 1

Fire Fighter

Thomas Flynn

Ladder 1

to Engine 5
(ICT to DFC/Grp.1)

Fire Fighter

Tyrone A. Marshall

Engine 3

to Special Unit

Fire Fighter

Edward Kenny

Engine 20

to Training Division
(Safety Specialist)

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 60**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 5, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION.

On September 22, 2019 Fire Fighter Jerome Samson of the Fire Prevention Division Witnessed a motor vehicle strike a pedestrian outside of 50 Bridge Street, Dedham, Massachusetts. Fire Fighter Samson immediately identified himself as a fire fighter/first Responder, called 911, and began a primary assessment of the victim.

The impact of the vehicle had rendered the female victim unresponsive with her clothing wrapped around her head and neck. She also had head lacerations and fractures to her arms and wrists. Recognizing the potential for a c-spine injury and obstructed airway, Fire Fighter Samson removed the tangled clothing to establish an open airway and then checked for a pulse. Finding no pulse, Fire Fighter Samson positioned himself to begin CPR, but the woman regained consciousness before he started. Fire Fighter Samson continued rendering emergency first aide until the arrival of Dedham Police and Fire. Fire Fighter Samson provided Dedham Police with his contact information and he later learned the woman did not survive the accident. Despite the tragic outcome of this accident, Fire Fighter Samson's actions were conducted in a professional, compassionate manor that reflected well on him and the department.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Jerome Samson of the Fire Prevention Division for his actions at 50 Bridge Street Dedham, Massachusetts.

This Commendation shall be made part of his personnel file and is referred to the Board of Merit for further review.

II. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following member became effective on November 29, 2019:

Deputy Fire Chief
Reynold Maughn

Fleet and Facilities

Deputy Maughn was appointed to the department on April 25, 1990. He was promoted to Lieutenant on December 8, 2001, to Fire Captain on November 2, 2005, to District Fire Chief on February 9, 2012, and to Deputy Fire Chief on September 13, 2016.

The retirement of the following member becomes effective on December 31, 2019:

Fire Fighter

William W. Cosby

Special Unit

Fire Fighter Cosby appointed to the department on October 28, 1987

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 61**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 11, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers became effective on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 0800 hours:

Chief of Operations, Field Services		
Robert Calobrisi	to	Division 1, C-6, Grp.3

Chief of Operations, Support Services		
Andre Stallworth	to	Chief of Operations, Field Services

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 62**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 11, 2019**

I. PROMOTION TO CHIEF OF OPERATIONS, SUPPORT SERVICES

Effective 0800 hours, December 6, 2019 the following member has been promoted to Chief of Operations, Support Services:

Deputy Fire Chief
John Dempsey

Fire Prevention Division

II. PROMOTION TO DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

The following member has been promoted Deputy Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, December 6, 2019:

District Fire Chief
Paul F. Burke

District 6

III. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following member has been promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, December 6, 2019:

Fire Captain
Robert J. Counihan

Ladder Company 16

IV. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following member has been promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, December 6, 2019:

Fire Lieutenant
Giuseppe A. Guarino

Engine Company 32

V. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following member has been promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, December 6, 2019:

Fire Fighter
Michael A. Holt

Engine Company 4

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 63**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 17, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION

On June 28, 2019 Fire Fighter Antone McCatty of Ladder Company 28 rendered emergency first aide and successfully dislodged an obstruction from a choking toddler. Fire Fighter McCatty was home when a neighbor came to his door stating that one of her children was choking. Fire Fighter McCatty ran to her house and found the father attempting to dislodge an obstruction from the choking toddler.

Recognizing the father was having no success and the child was now blue and foaming from his mouth, Fire Fighter McCatty took him, turned him face down, and delivered back blows which cleared his airway. The child soon resumed normal respirations and his skin color returned to normal. Firefighter McCatty remained with the child and provided first aide until EMS arrived. Fire Fighter McCatty recognition of a life threatening situation and his actions were instrumental in saving this child's life and reflected well on his training and the Boston Fire Department.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Antone McCatty of Ladder Company 28 for his actions at Thompson Street, Hyde Park, Massachusetts on June 28, 2019.

This Commendation shall be made part of his personnel file and is referred to the Board of Merit for further review.

**BY ORDER OF THE FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 64**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 24, 2019**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers became effective on Friday December 6, 2019:

Deputy Fire Chief John Dempsey	Fire Prevention/ Fire Marshal	to	Chief of Operations/ Support Services
Deputy Fire Chief Paul F. Burke	Personnel Division	to	Fleet/Facilities Division

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Wednesday, January 1, 2020:

Deputy Fire Chief Scott Malone	Division 1/Grp. 2	to	Division 2/Grp. 3
Deputy Fire Chief Brian Tully	Personnel Division	to	Fire Prevention/ Fire Marshal
District Fire Chief Dennis Keeley	HDQ /District Chief	to	District 3/Grp. 2
District Fire Chief Scott D. Wahlen	District 12/Grp.2 (Reg-Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	District 8/Grp. 1
Fire Captain Brian J. Dasey	TL 3/Grp. 1 (Reg-Tech/Rescue)	to	Engine 3/Grp. 4
Fire Captian Eamon M. O'Leary	Detail Office	to	Engine 5/Grp.3
Fire Captain Mark P. Miller	Engine 17/Grp. 1	to	Engine 21/Grp. 4
Fire Captain Calvin Smalls	Fire Prevention	to	Engine 22/Grp. 2 (Advance Tech/Haz-Mat)
Fire Captain Patrick J. Woods	Ladder 9/Grp. 1	to	Engine 39/Grp. 3

Fire Captain Sean P. Gibbons	Ladder 4/Grp. 1	to	Engine 52/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Daniel F. Roach	TL 3Grp/4 (Reg./Tech-Rescue)	to	Engine 3/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Ronald F. Solis	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 4/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Marc R. McAndrew	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Engine 33/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Timothy P. Foley	Ladder 21/Grp. 4	to	Engine 37/Grp. 1
Fire Lieutenant Michael A. Holt	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Ladder 9/Grp. 4
Fire Lieutenant Nicholas J. Gregorio	Engine 20/Grp. 4	to	Ladder 26/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant James F. Colvin	HDQ/Lieutenant	to	Tower Ladder 3/Grp3 (Reg./Tech-Rescue)
Fire Fighter Michael Texeria	Marine Unit	to	Pers./Med. (Eff. 12-4-19)
Fire Fighter Sean P. Coyle	Ladder 19	to	Pers./Med. (Eff. 12-11-19)
Fire Fighter Andrew Burns	Ladder 26	to	Engine 16
Fire Fighter James Shone	Rescue 1 (Advance Tech/Rescue)	to	Engine 30
Fire Fighter Michael Searcy	Ladder 16 (Reg-Tech/Haz-Mat)	to	Engine 53

Fire Fighter

Jeremy Daviau

Ladder 26

to

Ladder 2

Fire Fighter

Michael C. Ronayne

Tower Ladder 10
(Reg-Tech/Rescue)

to

Ladder 4

Fire Fighter

James Corbett

Engine 53
(ICT to DFC/Grp 2)

to

Ladder 16

Fire Fighter

Thomas C. Hughes

Engine 7

to

Ladder 17

Fire Fighter

James F. Fitzgerald

Ladder 7

to

EAP

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 65**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 24, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION

While driving in West Roxbury on October 25, 2019, Fire Fighter Thomas Nee (Engine 14) observed heavy smoke and fire coming from the upper floor of a two and a half story building on Willow Street. Fire Fighter Nee notified Fire Alarm to transmit the box, and then forced entry into the building to search for occupants. Under heavy smoke conditions, Fire Fighter Nee made his way to the second floor and found a confused elderly woman needing evacuation. While evacuating the woman, she informed Fire Fighter Nee that her son was still in the building. Once he had the woman outside, Fire Fighter Nee reentered the building to search for her son on the second floor, but found no one. Fire Fighter Nee then made a search of the first floor and found a cage of pet birds, which he brought outside where he encountered District Fire Chief Emmet Nichols (also off duty).

District Chief Nichols and Fire fighter Nee reentered the building to make another search, but conditions had deteriorated and visibility was near zero. They were able to make it to the second floor before abandoning their search. Once back outside District Chief Nichols informed Ladder 14 and Engine 30 of the reported missing person, of the conditions inside, and a second alarm was ordered.

The actions of Fire Fighter Nee and District Chief Nichols were undertaken in heavy smoke conditions without the benefit of bunker gear or a charged line. Fire Fighter Nee's rescue of an elderly person from the fire floor prior to companies arriving doubtlessly contributed to her surviving this fire.

The Fire Commissioner wishes to commend District Fire Chief Emmet Nichols and Fire Fighter Thomas Nee for their actions at this fire. This Commendation shall be made part of their Personnel file, and is referred to the Board of Merit for review.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 66**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECEMBER 24, 2019**

I. COMMENDATION

On November 18, 2019 Engine 5, Ladder 2, Car 1, and a full tech rescue assignment were dispatched to Shelby Street, East Boston for a high angle rescue. The first arriving companies reported seeing no one on the roof from the street level and Car 1 ordered Engine 5 to investigate. Once on the roof, Engine 5 reported they found no one, but were investigating further. Several minutes later Fire Fighter Christopher Iacozza (ITC Car 1) radioed he had found a person hanging from the back of an adjacent roof at 32 Shelby Street and he was hanging on to him.

All members on the roof were ordered to Fire Fighter Iacozza's location where they found Fire Fighter Iacozza grasping the man's arms as they both hung from the roof's edge. Companies pulled the victim back onto the roof and accompanied him to street level where he was released to EMS. Fire Fighter Iacozza, without hesitation and total disregard for his own safety put his body over the roof line to save this man from assured injury and possibly his death.

The Fire Commissioner wishes to commend Fire Fighter Christopher Iacozza of Engine 5 (ICT to Car 1) for his actions at 32 Shelby Street, East Boston. This Commendation shall be made part of his personnel file and is referred to the Board of Merit for further review.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT
JOSEPH E. FINN**