

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 1**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
January 27, 2010**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated will become effective at 1700 hours, January 31, 2009:

Fire Lieutenant Richard Cook	Fleet Maintenance Division	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Bradley Andrews	Ladder Company 11	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter James Walker	Ladder Company 14	S5,C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Lorenzo B. Mathis	Fire Prevention Division	S5, C32 M.G.L.
Fire Fighter James W. Rodgers	Fire Investigation Unit	S5, C32, M.G.L

Fire Lieutenant Cook was appointed to the department on September 5, 1979 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on March 30, 2002. Fire Fighter Andrews was appointed to the department on June 23, 1976. Fire Fighter Walker was appointed to the department on October 20, 1976. Fire Fighter Mathis was appointed to the department on January 18, 1978. Fire Fighter Rodgers was appointed to the department on November 11, 1998. All Members leave with the best wishes of their colleagues.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Monday, February 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

Deputy Fire Chief Peter Laizza	Fleet Maintenance	to	Headquarters Division
District Fire Chief Michael Liotta	Fleet Maintenance	to	Headquarters Division
District Fire Chief Paul R. O'Brien	District 8/Grp. 1	to	Personnel Medical.
Fire Captain David E. Springer	Engine Company 29	to	Engine Company 49
Fire Captain Michael P. Dillon	Engine Company 4	to	Ladder Company18
Fire Lieutenant Stanley D. Moore	Engine Co. 49/Grp. 2	to	Engine Co. 49/Grp. 3
Fire Lieutenant Joseph M. Briscoe	Headquarters Div.	to	Engine Company 4

Fire Fighter	Wayne E. Abron	Tower Ladder 17		to Engine Company 7
Fire Fighter	Duane B. Jenkins	Tower Ladder 17	to	Engine Company 7
Fire Fighter	Paul V. Hoban	Ladder Company 1	to	Engine Company 8
Fire Fighter	Brian Henry	Maintenance Div.	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter	Michael A. Searcy	Maintenance Div.	to	Ladder Company 28
Fire Fighter	Ralph T. Dean	Maintenance Div.	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter	Joseph E. Lohan	Maintenance Div.	to	Training Academy
Fire Fighter	Paul I. Murphy	Maintenance Div.	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter	Mark Pina	Maintenance Div.	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Fighter	Julio C. Estrada	Maintenance Div.	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter	Michael McLaughlin	Maintenance Div.	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter	Elliot Coleman Jr.	Ladder Company 25	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter	Daniel E. Moore	Maintenance Div.	to	Personnel Medical

III. BOARD OF MERIT

1.) On May 21, 2009 Fire Fighter Greg G. Kelly, Tower Ladder Company 10 was serving in the armed forces of the United States in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He distinguished himself by exceptional valor during combat operations.

With complete disregard for his own safety Fire Fighter Kelly placed himself at extreme personal risk in order to assist a downed comrade, wounded during an ambush. In order to reach the wounded man, Firefighter Kelly moved forward, without cover, over 150 meters while exposed to multiple enemy machine gun positions and intense enemy fire from both the north and south. He then dragged his wounded comrade up a hill another 75 meters, while enemy machine gun fire converged on their position. He was then assisted by fellow soldiers and together they moved the wounded man to one of the detachment medics.

As the group moved to the casualty collection point, enemy forces maneuvered to the west of the detachment's position, and the patrol came under intense machine gun fire from a third direction. Fire Fighter Kelly, although physically exhausted from his movement with the downed comrade, he again moved forward into enemy fire and organized the resistance that would allow his unit to break contact. For his actions, Fire Fighter Kelly was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for Valor.

Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Greg G. Kelly, Tower Ladder Company 10, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

2.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Michael V. Sameski, Engine Company 16, for his actions on November 12, 2009. On that day box 3495 was struck for a building fire at 83 Evans Street, District 8. Upon arrival heavy fire was showing from the basement and neighbors were yelling that another person was trapped inside.

After assigning other members to run the attack line, Lieutenant Sameski attempted to enter the front door but was driven back by the intense heat and heavy smoke conditions. Realizing the victim's survival was in question, Lieutenant Sameski re-entered the building and crawled down the hallway past the open door to the basement from which the smoke and intense heat was traveling.

After locating the unconscious occupant, he started to drag her back down the hallway where he met another member who assisted him in removing the victim to the outside. As the other member went to the basement to join his crew, the pump operator from Engine Company 16 along with Lieutenant Sameski determined that the victim was not breathing. They immediately initiated CPR until the arrival of Boston EMS and assisted in getting the victim to the ambulance. Lieutenant Sameski then joined his crew in the basement to continue fire attack operations.

Because this rescue was performed during heavy smoke and high heat conditions, before proper ventilation had taken place and without the benefit of a charged line, Fire Lieutenant Sameski placed himself at extreme personal risk. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Lieutenant Sameski and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

3.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert E. Dillon, Engine Company 16, for his actions on November 12, 2009. On that day box 3495 was struck for a building fire at 83 Evans Street in District 8. Upon arrival heavy fire was showing from the basement and neighbors were yelling that there was another person inside. As other members of Engine Company 16 ran the attack line, Fire Fighter Dillon and another member attempted to enter the first floor and begin a search for the victim. They were driven back by the intense heat from the fire's rapid extension up the interior stairwell. Fire Fighter Dillon then began to run a 2 1/2" attack line to the front door in order to assist the other Fire Fighter who had re-entered the building.

While another arriving company was advancing their handline, Fire Fighter Dillon was notified by District 8 to leave his attack line for the other company and re-enter the structure to search for the victim. Under intense fire conditions, he again went

inside the first floor to assist in the search. After crawling down the hallway, he located the other member dragging the unconscious victim and together they removed her to the outside where he then left to join his crew in the basement.

Because this rescue was performed during heavy smoke and high heat conditions, before proper ventilation had taken place and without the benefit of a charged line, Fire Fighter

Dillon placed himself at great personal risk. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Dillon and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

4.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert T. Smith of Engine Company 14 for his actions while off duty on April 4, 2009. Fire Fighter Smith witnessed a woman go into cardiac arrest at the Hibernia Hall in Roxbury, District 7. After an initial survey he determined she had no pulse, no respiration and immediately initiated CPR. Another off duty Fire Fighter took over CPR while Fire Fighter Smith updated Fire Alarm on his cell phone as he ran next door to Engine 14's quarters. There he alerted the members to the victim's condition, grabbed the AED, ran back to the scene and assisted the members of Engine 14 with life support until relieved by Boston EMS.

His initiative and quick thinking reflect highly on the Boston Fire Department and for the citizens of Boston. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert T. Smith and refers this to the Board of merit for further review.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 2**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 2, 2010**

I. CORRECTION

Section 3 Number 4, General Order No. 1, issued on January 27, 2010 shall be deleted and the following correction shall be inserted.

BOARD OF MERIT

4.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter John A. Smith, Rescue Company 1, for his actions on December 13, 2009. On that day box 715 was struck for a warehouse fire in District 6. Upon arrival a large volume of smoke was showing from a 100 by 200 foot two story warehouse, with reports of homeless people living in the building. Fire Fighter Smith immediately began a primary search of the second floor through a maze of partitioned interior rooms for possible victims. After an exhausting and rigorous search through the heavy smoke and high heat, he found a disoriented victim suffering from smoke inhalation and removed him safely to the street.

His prompt actions were undertaken prior to the placement of attack lines and ventilation, thus saving the victim from more serious injury or possible death. Fire Fighter Smith's determination in carrying out a primary search of the structure while placing himself at great personal risk is in keeping with the highest tradition of the Boston Fire Department. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter John A. Smith and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 4**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 9, 2010**

**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, Chief Of Department, Chiefs of Operations, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of Fire Alarm Section, and those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, are authorized to do and perform all and singular the acts and things which I, as Head of the Fire Department, by said Chapter 148, Sections 4 & 5, am empowered to do and perform. Specific authority is hereby delegated to the said Chief of Department, Chiefs of Operations, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of Fire Alarm those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems and Fire Department Inspectors 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, 2010, shall continue in force and effect for a period of one year from the effective date, unless revoked at any time prior thereto. The above delegations of authority are not to diminish nor curtail any of the powers conferred upon me by said General Laws, Chapter 148, Sections 4 & 5.

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

Pursuant to and in the exercise of the power invested in me under the provisions of said Boston Fire Department Code, Chief of Department, Chiefs of Operations, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of Fire Alarm, those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems and Fire Department Inspectors 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, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Fire Alarm General

and those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, to make investigations and inspections and to issue orders in writing pursuant to the provisions of said Code.

The above delegations of authority, effective as of January 31, 2010, 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
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 5**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 25, 2010**

I RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated will become effective at 1700 hours, February 28, 2010:

Fire Fighter			
Thomas J. McDuff	Marine Unit		S5, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Fighter McDuff was appointed to the department on March 20, 1974. He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Monday, March 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

District Fire Chief			
John P. Carey	Special Response Chief	to	District 8/Grp. 1
Fire Captain			
Christopher M. Burke	Personnel Division	to	Engine 4/Grp. 2
Fire Captain			
John P. Dolan	EPPD	to	Engine Company 29
Fire Lieutenant			
William P. Kenneally	Ladder Company 6	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
Shawn M. McGrath	Engine Company 8	to	Engine Company 14
Fire Fighter			
Casley K. Vass	Engine Company 8	to	Ladder Company 1
Fire Fighter			
Louis L. Priego	Rescue Company 1	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter			
Tracey L. Goodman	W-25	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
Alvin A. Smith	Engine Company 37 (ICT to SRC/Grp. 1)	to	Engine Company 16 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 1)
Fire Fighter			
Ronald C. Majors	Personnel Division	to	Fire Prevention- (Special Occupancies) eff. 2/1/10

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 7**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 16, 2010**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours March 4, 2010:

Fire Fighter	
Jeffrey Clark	Engine Company 14
Fire Fighter	
Stephen M. Montoya	Ladder Company 15
Fire Fighter	
David J. Bergdoll	Rescue Company 2

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 8**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 25, 2010**

I RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated will become effective at 1700 hours, March 31, 2010:

Fire Lieutenant Paul R. Finn	Engine Company 8	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Edmund M. Street	Ladder Company 18	S5, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Lieutenant Finn was appointed to the department on February 19, 1969, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on February 24, 1988. Fire Fighter Street was appointed to the department on October 30, 1974. All members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Thursday, April 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

District Fire Chief Stephen P. Paschal	Personnel Division	to	Special Response Chief
Fire Lieutenant John G. Jackson	Tower Ladder 10	to	Ladder Company 6
Fire Fighter David D. Sanchez	Engine Company 55	to	Engine Company 28
Fire Fighter John A. Flowers	Engine Company 4 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 4)	to	Engine Company 8
Fire Fighter John A. Flowers	Engine Company 8	to	Engine Company 4 (ICT to DFC/Grp. 4)
Fire Fighter Arthur W. Brown	Engine Company 2	to	Engine Company 14
Fire Fighter Roderick MacKinnon	Engine Company 2	to	Engine Company 14
Fire Fighter Eric Evans	Engine Company 50	to	Engine Company 28
Fire Fighter Frank J. Fortes	Ladder Company 4	to	Engine Company 55
Fire Fighter Joseph L. Penabad	Engine Company 28	to	Engine Company 55

Fire Fighter Joseph M. Santos	Engine Company 22	to	Ladder Company 2
Fire Fighter Leroy James	Ladder Company 2	to	Ladder Company 28
Fire Fighter Timothy Shields	Ladder Company 26	to	Engine Company 37 (ICT to SRC/Grp. 1)
Fire Fighter Joseph Bacchi	Engine Company 37 (ICT to SRC/Grp. 4)	to	Engine Company 2
Fire Fighter Timothy Goddard	Engine Company 29	to	Engine Company 37 (ICT to SRC/Grp. 4)
Fire Fighter Dennis P. Devlin	Ladder Company 1	to	Engine Company 8
Fire Fighter Reynolds A. Shepherd	Fire Investigation Unit	to	Training Division
Fire Fighter Joseph G. Welch	Ladder Company 23	to	Fire Investigation/AAU
Fire Fighter Lawrence D. Kimble	Engine Company 51	to	Personnel/Medical

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 9**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 30, 2010**

COMMENDATION

The torrential rainstorm that affected the city from 0800 hours, Saturday, March 13, 2010, thru 0800 hours, March 16, 2010, caused power outages and severe flooding conditions affecting many homes and businesses with the evacuation of many of these occupants.

I commend all of the Chief Officers, Company Officers, Firefighters and members of the Fire Alarm Operations Division for your dedication and professionalism in responding to, dispatching and providing the necessary assistance to the many people in this city affected by this severe record breaking rainstorm.

Over the course of the three days, Fire Alarm Operations Division processed and companies responded to an average of 367 incidents a day, including 8 building fires. All of these incidents were handled with the excellence and teamwork that is the long standing tradition of this department.

My sincere thanks and congratulations to each of you for a job well done.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 10**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 14, 2010**

**I. FIRE FIGHTER DAVE GALLOWAY
TOWER LADDER 3**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter Dave Galloway, Tower Ladder 3, on April 2, 2010. Fire Fighter Galloway was appointed to the department on May 12, 1993.

The funeral was held from the East Congressional Church, 610 Adams Street, Milton on Saturday, April 10, 2010 at 1000 hours.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 11**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 27, 2010**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Saturday, May 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

Fire Lieutenant David J. Montoya	Engine Comp. 52	to	Engine Comp. 8
Fire Lieutenant Joseph E. Kelley	Tower Lad. 10/Grp 1	to	Tower-Lad.10/Grp 4
Fire Fighter Roderick MacKinnon	Engine Company 14	to	Engine Company 2
Fire Fighter Dennis Concepcion	Engine Company 30	to	Engine Company 22
Fire Fighter Michael C. Lozanne	Engine Company 37	to	Engine Company 30
Fire Fighter Arthur Brown	Engine Company 14	to	Engine Company 49
Fire Fighter Brian T. Holmes	Engine Company 16	to	Ladder Company 4
Fire Fighter Michael T. Costello	Engine Company 49	to	Ladder Company 15
Fire Fighter Kenneth Hayes	Engine Company 50	to	Ladder Company 15
Fire Fighter Paul V. Hoban	Engine Company 8	to	Ladder Company 18
Fire Fighter Mark E. Needham	Tower-Ladder 10	to	Ladder Company 25
Fire Fighter Todd C. Leonard	Engine Company 22	to	Ladder Company 26
Fire Fighter Robert Moritz	Rescue Company 1	to	Pers./Med.
Fire Fighter Stephen F. Irving	Engine Company 7	to	Pers./Med.
Fire Fighter Joseph Johnson	Personnel Division	to	Pers./Med.

II. UNIT CITATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the members of the Fire Investigation Unit for their diligent and comprehensive work in conjunction with the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office. On April 6, 2008, a tragic arson fire occurred on West Sixth Street in District 6, where two children perished. On February 16, 2010, a Suffolk County Superior Court jury returned with a guilty verdict on two counts of second degree murder by arson, and two counts of assault and battery by arson. On February 18, 2010 a sentence of two consecutive life terms, and two consecutive eight to ten year terms were rendered. Because of their combined efforts, professionalism and dedication to duty, this investigation was brought to a successful conclusion. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to:

Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Lieutenant Frederick Hollien

Fire Lieutenant William McCarthy

Fire Fighter Richard Fullam

Fire Fighter Christopher Sloane

Fire Fighter Reynolds Shepherd

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 12**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 4, 2010**

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 2009. After careful consideration and study, the Board submitted the following recommendations which are hereby approved by the Fire Commissioner:

**1.) Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence
Fire Lieutenant James B. O'Brien, Training Division**

Lieutenant James B. O'Brien of the Training Division, has developed a new comprehensive Driver Training Program for the Boston Fire Department. Lieutenant O'Brien has spent considerable time attending numerous driver training programs throughout the country in order to develop this program. He has updated and modernized the current program by developing a new 141 page driver training manual. He has assembled a team of dedicated, certified instructors, and has introduced the nationally recognized Smith Driving System to the department.

In the field of driving assistance equipment, he has researched and introduced state of the art computerized equipment, based on a "hands on" program to record operator functions and understanding. The Driver Training Program has increased performance and will decrease accidents while responding to and returning from emergency incidents. Through his efforts and dedication, the safety of the department chauffeurs, members, and the citizens of Boston has increased.

The board recommends that Fire Lieutenant James B. O'Brien be awarded the Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence

2.) Case of Fire Fighter Kevin Bailey, Engine Company 5

On Wednesday August 26, 2009, while traveling down Fenno Street, Fire Fighter Kevin Bailey, Engine Company 5, came upon a stabbing victim bleeding profusely from multiple stab wounds to the head and neck. In order to control the serious bleeding, he applied direct pressure to the wounds with a towel, exposing himself to the victim's blood. Despite this exposure he maintained control of the bleeding until relieved by Boston Fire and EMS personnel. Due to the danger of an unprotected exposure as well as working at the scene of a violent crime, Fire Fighter Bailey placed himself at great personal risk. His selfless act and aggressive actions helped save the victim from more severe injuries and possible death

Because his actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Kevin Bailey in General Order No. 28 of 2009.

The Board Recommends that Fire Fighter Bailey of Engine Company 5 be awarded the Distinguished Service Award

3.) Case of Fire Fighter Robert T. Smith, Engine Company 14

On April 4, 2009, off duty Fire Fighter Robert T. Smith, Engine Company 14, witnessed a woman go into cardiac arrest at the Hibernia Hall in Roxbury. After an initial survey he determined she had no pulse, no respiration and immediately initiated CPR. Another off duty Fire Fighter took over CPR while Fire Fighter Smith updated Fire Alarm on his cell phone as he ran next door to Engine 14's quarters. There he alerted the members to the victim's condition, grabbed the AED, ran back to the scene and assisted the members of Engine 14 with life support until relieved by Boston EMS

Because his actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Robert T. Smith in General Order No. 28 of 2009.

The Board Recommends that Fire Fighter Robert T. Smith of Engine Company 14 be awarded the Distinguished Service Award

4.) Case of Fire Alarm Operator Francis X. Sullivan Fire Alarm Division

While off duty on January 21, 2009, Fire Alarm Operator Francis X. Sullivan, of the Fire Alarm Division was sitting in the last car of an MBTA Orange Line train when he noticed a rush of passengers and then shouts of "Give it up, give it up." When the train pulled into the New England Medical Center Station, Operator Sullivan noticed a passenger clutching his iPod as a suspected robber tried to pry it away. He then saw the suspect punch the victim in the face twice before grabbing the iPod and running off the train towards the escalator.

Operator Sullivan chased him and, at the base of the escalator, saw the suspect clutch at his waistline as if he had a weapon. He initially backed up but then dove at the man, tackling him. The two men struggled as they rode up the escalator to the upper level where Operator Sullivan held the suspect until police arrived and arrested him. His initiative and determination under harrowing circumstances put him at great personal risk and bring great credit to the department.

Because his actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Alarm Operator Francis X. Sullivan in General Order No. 13 of 2009.

The Board Recommends that Fire Alarm Operator Francis X. Sullivan of Fire Alarm be awarded the Distinguished Service Award

5.) Case of Fire Fighter John A. Smith, Rescue Company 1

On December 13, 2009, Fire Fighter John A. Smith, Rescue Company 1 responded to box 715 which was struck for a warehouse fire in District 6. Upon arrival a large volume of smoke was showing from a 100 by 200 foot two story warehouse, with reports of homeless people living in the building. Prior to the placement of attack lines and ventilation, Fire Fighter Smith immediately began a primary search of the second floor through a maze of partitioned interior rooms. After an exhausting and rigorous search through the heavy smoke and high heat, he found a disoriented victim suffering from smoke inhalation and removed him safely to the street. Fire Fighter Smith's determination in carrying out a primary search of the structure while placing himself at great personal risk is in keeping with the highest tradition of the Boston Fire Department.

Because his actions were performed at great personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter John A. Smith, in General Order No. 10 2010

The Board recommends Fire Fighter John A. Smith of Rescue Company 1 be placed on the Roll of Merit

6.) Case of Fire Fighter Michael J. McCarthy, Engine Company 21

On August 3, 2009, Engine Company 21 was responding to the Holiday Inn Express on Boston Street. As they approached the hotel, Fire Fighter Michael J. McCarthy, Engine Company 21, noticed that the guests were evacuating the building and gathering outside as the apparatus came to a stop. Suddenly, a heavily built barefoot man came running full speed out the side door, pushing through the crowd yelling, "help me, help me". He had crashed through a closed sliding glass door inside the hotel lobby. The man was bleeding from cuts to his face, arms, legs and feet; he then jumped into the open passenger compartment behind the driver's seat of Engine 21.

The emotionally disturbed man grabbed a flathead axe from the tool bag and raised it head high in a threatening manner. Fire Fighter McCarthy immediately, with great personal risk grabbed the man's arm that held the axe, and spoke to him in a calm, reassuring manner. After several tense minutes, Fire Fighter McCarthy was able to convince the irrational victim to put the axe back on the floor of the apparatus. The

distraught man was then subdued, handcuffed and transported to Boston Medical Center for treatment. Due to Fire Fighter McCarthy's prompt actions, cool demeanor and soothing manner, the chaotic incident came to a successful conclusion without severe injuries or a possible death.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Michael McCarthy, Engine Company 21 in General Order No. 34, 2009.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Michael J. McCarthy of Engine Company 21 be placed on the Roll of Merit

7.) Case of Fire Fighter Robert E. Dillon, Engine Company 16

On November 12, 2009, box 3495 was struck for a building fire at 83 Evans Street. When Engine Company 16 arrived heavy fire was showing from the basement, and neighbors were yelling that there was another person inside. As other members of Engine Company 16 ran the attack line, Fire Fighter Robert E. Dillon, Engine Company 16 and another member attempted to enter the first floor and began a search for the victim. They were driven back by the intense heat from the fire's rapid extension up the interior stairwell. Fire Fighter Dillon then began to run a 2 1/2" attack line to the front door in order to assist the other Fire Fighter who had re-entered the building.

While another arriving company was advancing their handline, Fire Fighter Dillon was notified by District 8 to leave his attack line for the other company and re-enter the structure to search for the victim. Under intense smoke and high heat conditions he placed himself at great personal risk and again went inside the first floor to assist in the search. After crawling down the hallway, he located the other member dragging the unconscious victim and together they removed her to the outside where he then left to join his crew in the basement.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Robert E. Dillon, Engine Company 16 in General Order No. 1, 2010.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Robert E. Dillon of Engine Company 16 be placed on the Roll of Merit

8.) Case of Fire Lieutenant John R. Soares, Ladder Company 24

On August 5, 2009, companies responded to 53 State Street for a malfunctioning scaffold unit listing and tilting between the thirty seventh and thirty eighth floors. Fire Lieutenant Soares, Ladder Company 24, located a victim pounding on the glass window on the low end of the scaffold in a panic. Recognizing the extreme danger to the victim, he ordered his crew to tie him off with his rescue rope as the other members broke out the

window. While the other members held him, Lieutenant Soares reached down and out the window to grab hold of the panicked victim. The other members of Ladder Company 24 then pulled him and the victim up through the window to safety. Fire Lieutenant Soares` initiative and quick response exposed himself at great personal risk to the victim`s precarious situation almost four hundred feet above the street.

Because these actions were performed at great personal risk the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Lieutenant Soares, Ladder Company 24 in General Order No. 28, 2009.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter John R. Soares of Ladder Company 24 be placed on the Roll of Merit

9.) Case of Fire Fighter Gregory G. Kelly, Tower Ladder Company 10

On May 21, 2009 Fire Fighter Greg G. Kelly, Tower Ladder Company 10 was serving in the armed forces of the United States in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He distinguished himself by exceptional valor during combat operations. With complete disregard for his own safety Fire Fighter Kelly placed himself at extreme personal risk in order to assist a downed comrade, wounded during an ambush. In order to reach the wounded man, Firefighter Kelly moved forward, without cover, over 150 meters while exposed to multiple enemy machine gun positions and intense enemy fire from both the north and south. He then dragged his wounded comrade up a hill another 75 meters, while enemy machine gun fire converged on their position. He was then assisted by fellow soldiers and together they moved the wounded man to one of the detachment medics. As the group moved to the casualty collection point, enemy forces maneuvered to the west of the detachment`s position, and the patrol came under intense machine gun fire from a third direction. Fire Fighter Kelly, although physically exhausted from his movement with the downed comrade, again moved forward into enemy fire and organized the resistance that would allow his unit to break contact. For his actions, Fire Fighter Kelly was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for Valor.

Because these actions were performed at extreme personal risk the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Fighter Greg G. Kelly, Tower Ladder Company 10 in General Order No. 1, 2010.

The Board recommends that Fire Fighter Greg G. Kelly, Tower Ladder Company 10 be awarded the Edward H. Hommel M.D. Medal of Honor.

10.) Case of Fire Lieutenant Michael V. Sameski, Engine Company 16

On November 12, 2009 box 3495 was struck for a building fire at 83 Evans Street. When Engine Company 16 arrived heavy fire was showing from the basement and neighbors were yelling that another person was trapped inside. After assigning other members to run the attack line, Fire Lieutenant Michael V. Sameski, Engine Company 16, attempted to enter the front door but was driven back by the intense heat and heavy smoke conditions. Placing himself at extreme personal risk Lieutenant Sameski re-entered the building and crawled down the hallway past the open door to the basement from which the smoke and intense heat was traveling. After locating the unconscious occupant, he started to drag her back down the hallway where he met another member who assisted him in removing the victim to the outside.

As the other member went to the basement to join his crew, the pump operator from Engine Company 16 along with Lieutenant Sameski determined that the victim was not breathing. They immediately initiated CPR until the arrival of Boston EMS and assisted in getting the victim to the ambulance. Lieutenant Sameski then joined his crew in the basement to continue fire attack operations.

Because these actions were performed at extreme personal risk, the Fire Commissioner highly commended Fire Lieutenant Michael V. Sameski, Engine Company 16 in General Order No. 1, 2010.

The Board recommends that Fire Lieutenant Michael V. Sameski, Engine Company 16 be awarded the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for most meritorious act.

11.)**MEDAL OF VALOR****Fire Lieutenant Kevin M. Kelley, Ladder Company 26**

Fire Lieutenant Kevin M. Kelley, Ladder Company 26, who died in the line of duty on January 9, 2009. Fire Lieutenant Kelley was appointed to the department on December 6, 1978 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on July 14, 1988.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 13**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 7, 2010**

131st ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

The 131st Annual Awards Ceremony of the Boston Fire Department will be held Friday evening, May 21, 2010 at Florian Hall, 55 Hallet Street, Dorchester, MA 02124

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

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

It is your organization. Help support it.

PROGRAM

1930 hours	General Admission
1955 hours	Boston Fire Department Acappella Quartet Deputy Fire Chief Richard J. DiBenedetto District Fire Chief Michael J. Ruggere Fire Lieutenant James J. Hoar Fire Fighter William Carey
2000 hours	Invocation by Reverend Daniel J. Mahoney Chief Chaplain, Boston Fire Department
2010 hours	Greetings by the President of the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund, Fire Fighter Stephen Mortlock, Ladder Company 26. Fire Commissioner, Roderick J. Fraser Jr. Chief of Department, Ronald W. Keating
	Master of Ceremonies Senator Jack Hart, Massachusetts State Senator

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

Fire Lieutenant
James O'Brien
Training Division

Presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to

Fire Fighter
Kevin Bailey
Engine Company 5
Fire Fighter
Robert T. Smith
Engine Company 14
Fire Alarm Operator
Francis X. Sullivan
Fire Alarm Division

Presentation of the Roll of Merit to

Fire Lieutenant
John R. Soares
Ladder Company 24
Fire Fighter
John A. Smith
Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter
Michael J. McCarthy
Engine Company 21
Fire Fighter
Robert E. Dillon
Engine Company 16

Presentation of the E.H. Hommel M.D Medal of Honor to

Fire Fighter
Gregory G. Kelly
Tower Ladder Company 10

Presentation of the John E. Fitzgerald Medal to

Fire Lieutenant
Michael V. Sameski
Engine Company 16

Presentation of the Medal of Valor to

The Family of Fire Lieutenant Kevin M. Kelley, Ladder Company 26

Memorial Prayer

Reverend Carl Thompson
Chaplain, Boston Fire Department

Drawings

Belknap Memorial Award
Staples Scholarship Awards
Vendome Memorial Awards
Boston Ambulance Squad Award

Award recipients will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 21, 2010 to 1800 hours, May 22, 2010.

The Honor Guard will be under the direction of Fire Fighter Charles D. Sudhalter. The Honor Guard will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 21, 2010 to 0800 hours, May 22, 2010

The Gaelic Fire Brigade will be excused from duty from 1800 hours, May 21, 2010 to 0800 hours, May 22, 2010.

The Boston Fire Department Acappella Quartet will be excused from duty from 1800 hours, May 21, 2010 to 0800 hours, May 22, 2010.

The Relief Fund members will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 21, 2010 to 0800 hours, May 22, 2009.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 14**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 21, 2010**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours, April 30, 2010.

Fire Fighter		
Edward J. Sullivan	Engine Company 50	S5, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Fighter Sullivan was appointed to the department on October 31, 2002.

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated will become effective at 1700 hours, May 31, 2010.

Fire Lieutenant		
Charles V. Doherty	Marine Unit	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Hipolito Gonzalez	Special Unit	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Stephen T. Langone	Engine Company 50	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Larry P. McLaughlin	Rescue Company 2	S5, C32, M.G.L.

Fighter Lieutenant Doherty was appointed to the department on September 27, 1972 was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on September 14, 1983. Fire Fighter Gonzalez was appointed to the department on May 17, 1978. Fire Fighter Langone was appointed to the department on February 19, 1969. Fire Fighter McLaughlin was appointed to the department on September 27, 1972. All members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. BOARD OF MERIT

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert J. Gover, Engine Company 50, for his actions while off duty on April 8, 2010. On that day Fire Fighter Gover was commuting to work through the City of Malden, when he noticed a smoke condition in the area of 15 Charles Place. Pulling his vehicle over he found a 2 1/2 story dwelling with heavy fire showing from all floors at the front of the building. After being informed there was a person trapped, and hearing screams for help, he entered the rear entrance to begin a search of the fire building prior to the arrival of the Malden Fire Department.

Fire Fighter Gover without protective clothing and S.C.B.A. climbed the stairs to the third floor. He proceeded past the advancing fire under heavy smoke conditions and located an adult male who was confused and disoriented. He then guided the victim down the stairs to the safety of the street and released him to the Malden Fire Department. Fire Fighter Gover then assisted Malden fire fighters in advancing a 2 ½" handline to the fire building and then helped place a 35' ground ladder to the third floor.

Fire Fighter Gover exposed himself to great personal risk during a rapidly moving fire, prior to hose line operations and before ventilation took place. His initiative and fast actions helped to save the victim from more serious injuries or death. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Robert J. Gover, Engine Company 50, and refers this case to the Board of Merit.

III. UNIT CITATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the following named members of the Fire Investigation Unit, as an addition to General Order 11, dated April 27, 2010, for their diligent and comprehensive work in conjunction with the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office. On April 6, 2008, a tragic arson fire occurred on West Sixth Street in District 6, where two children perished. On February 16, 2010, a Suffolk County Superior Court jury returned with a guilty verdict on two counts of second degree murder by arson, and two counts of assault and battery by arson. On February 18, 2010 a sentence of two consecutive life terms, and two consecutive eight to ten year terms were rendered. Because of their combined efforts, professionalism and dedication to duty, this investigation was brought to a successful conclusion. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to:

Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter William Noonan
Fire Fighter William Mitchell

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 15**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 27, 2010**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

District Fire Chief John J. Evans	District 6/Grp. 4	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Lieutenant Kevin B. Garry	Ladder Company 16	to	Engine Company 52
Fire Lieutenant Joseph E. Kelley	Tower Ladder 10/Grp. 4	to	Tower Ladder 10/Grp. 1
Fire Fighter Shawn Donovan	Rescue Company 1	to	Engine Company 28
Fire Fighter Michael P. Thornton	Ladder Company 19	to	Engine Company 49
Fire Fighter Kenneth Simpson	Fire Prevention	to	Engine Company 49 (eff. 5/6/10)
Fire Fighter John W. Wornum	Personnel Division	to	Fire Prevention Div. (eff. 5/6/10)
Fire Fighter Frank J. Fortes	Engine Company 55	to	Personnel Division

II. HIGH COMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Daniel D. Gomes, Training Division, for his actions while off duty on May 8, 2010. While walking his dog in East Boston he witnessed a man walk up to another man and stab him in the chest. Fire Fighter Gomes immediately approached the knife wielding individual and told him to drop the knife as the suspect fled the scene. Fire Fighter Gomes realizing the victim had a serious stab wound, pulled the fire department call box, rendered first aid and kept the victim stable until the arrival of Boston Fire apparatus and Boston EMS. While monitoring the victim he watched where the assailant had fled and notified police. Boston Police were able to apprehend the suspect and identify him with the help of Fire Fighter Gomes. His quick action and intervention stopped the suspect from continuing the attack. Without any regard for his own safety and placing himself at extreme personal risk, Fire Fighter Gomes helped save the victim from more serious injuries or

death. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Daniel D. Gomes, Training Division, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 16**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 3, 2010**

MEMORIAL SUNDAY

The One Hundred and Seventeenth Anniversary of Firemen's Memorial Sunday will be held on Sunday, June 13, 2010. Reverend Carl Thompson, Boston Fire Department Chaplain, will conduct the ceremonies at Forest Hills Cemetery at 0930 hours. Fire Fighter Leo P. Hughes, President of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department, will be Chief Marshal. The Grand Rabbi Yitzhak Aharon Korff will be Orator of the Day.

Trustees of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department and the Boston Fire Department Honor Guard will report to Deputy Fire Chief Robert Dunderdale at the archway via the Morton Street entrance at 0915 hours. Regulation uniform for all members will be sack coat with tie and white gloves. Permission is granted to retired members to wear their regulation uniform.

The Fire Commissioner and the Chief of Department earnestly urges all off duty members to make every effort to attend these services.

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

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 17**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JUNE 23, 2010**

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Thursday, July 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

District Fire Chief Kevin P. Hession	Personnel Division	to	District 6/Grp. 4
District Fire Chief Stephen P. Paschal	Special Response/Grp. 1	to	Personnel Division
District Fire Chief James F. Loftus	Special Response/Grp. 2	to	Personnel Division District
Fire Chief Mark Buchanan	Special Response/Grp. 3	to	Personnel Division
District Fire Chief William A. Tobin	Special Response/Grp. 4	to	Personnel Division
Fire Lieutenant George R. O'Brien	E.M.D.	to	Ladder Company 16
Fire Lieutenant Paulo M. DaSilva	Engine Company 7	to	Tower Ladder 10
Fire Lieutenant Thomas E. Holt	Ladder Company 14	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter Patrick J. Harty	Engine Company 53	to	Engine Company 3
Fire Fighter Scott M. Coyne	Rescue Company 1	to	Engine Company 16
Fire Fighter Amos L. Monteiro	Engine Company 20	to	Engine Company 22
Fire Fighter Michael S. McCarthy	Ladder Company 4	to	Ladder Company 19
Fire Fighter Timothy R. Shields	Engine Company 37 (ICT to SRC/Grp. 1)	to	Ladder Company 26
Fire Fighter Orlando Ribeiro	Engine Company 37 (ICT to SRC/Grp. 2)	to	Engine Company 20
Fire Fighter William W. Cosby	Engine Company 37 (ICT to SRC/Grp. 3)	to	Engine Company 30
Fire Fighter Timothy F. Goddard	Engine Company 37 (ICT to SRC/Grp. 4)	to	Engine Company 37

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 18**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JULY 1, 2010**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours, June 11, 2010.

Fire Fighter		
Marc W. Porter	Ladder Company 18	S7, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Fighter Porter was appointed to the department on May 12, 1993.

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours June 18, 2010.

Principal Fire Alarm Operator		
Walter P. Freiwald	Fire Alarm Division	S5, C32, M.G.L.

Principal Fire Alarm Operator Freiwald was appointed to the department on July 14, 1971, promoted to Senior Fire Alarm Operator on December 1, 1982 and promoted to Principal Fire Alarm Operator on October 11, 1988.

The retirement of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours, June 30, 2010.

District Fire Chief		
Michael C. Liotta	Safety Division	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Lieutenant		
Lawrence R. Curran	Engine Company 16	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Lieutenant		
Joseph M. Welch Jr.	Engine Company 55	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Gerald A. Miller	Rescue Company 2	S5, C32, M.G. L.

District Fire Chief Liotta was appointed to the department on May 17, 1972, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on May 23, 1979, promoted to Fire Captain on September 14, 1983 and promoted to District Fire Chief on April 23, 1986. Fire Lieutenant Curran was appointed to the department on July 23, 1975 promoted to fire Lieutenant on September 14, 1983. Fire Lieutenant Welch was appointed to the department on September 27, 1972, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on May 23, 1979. Fire Fighter Miller was appointed to the department on May 17, 1972. All Members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT

The resignation/retirement of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, on June 18, 2010:

Fire Fighter

Donald P. Maloney

Engine Company 2

III. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Eddie Holmes, Ladder Company 26, for his actions on June 9, 2010. Fire Fighter Holmes was detailed to Ladder Company 1 that day and was to meet them at the Boston Fire Academy for training. He stopped at the Moon Island guard shack and noticed that a police officer had fallen and was in great pain. Fire Fighter Holmes directed another officer to call for assistance while he stabilized and monitored the patient's condition until arrival of Ladder Company 1. He briefed the company and then assisted with immobilization and transfer of the patient to Boston EMS. Fire Fighter Holmes actions greatly aided in the care and comfort of the police officer. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 20**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JULY 13, 2010**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours July 9, 2010:

Fire Fighter Gregory Kelly	Tower Ladder 10
Fire Fighter Emmett Reed	Ladder Company 18
Fire Fighter James E. Cahill	Tower Ladder 17

II. BOARD OF MERIT

1.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Jeffrey K. Scott, Ladder Company 7, for his actions on February 27, 2010. On that morning, box 1833 was struck for a building fire in a garden style apartment complex at 40 Sumner Street, District 7. After forcing open the steel reinforced door, Ladder Company 7 members entered and split up to begin their primary search of the apartment. Fire Fighter Scott proceeded to crawl down the hallway through the high heat and heavy smoke and past the room on fire. He then entered a bathroom and began to vent a window when he noticed a resident unresponsive on the floor. He proceeded to lift the victim and carry her out of the bathroom, down the hallway and into the public hallway where other members started resuscitation efforts.

Fire Fighter Scott while exposing himself to great personal risk under high heat and smoke conditions, helped to save the victim from more serious injuries. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Jeffrey K. Scott, Ladder Company 7, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

2.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Patrick F. Foley, Engine Company 21, for his actions while off duty on February 27, 2010. He was on his way to work that morning when he observed a smoke condition in the area of Sumner Street, District 7. Fire Fighter Foley responded to the location and called the Fire Alarm Office to report a fire in progress where box 1833 was transmitted. He then proceeded to enter the building where he banged on doors to alert the occupants of the fire.

Fire Fighter Foley's actions were conducted under unusual risk and before the arrival of companies. His actions allowed residents to quickly evacuate the building and minimize the life hazard involved. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Patrick F. Foley, Engine Company 21, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 21**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JULY 27, 2010**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated will become effective at 1700 hours, July 31, 2010.

Deputy Fire Chief Peter A. Laizza	Fleet Facilities & Maintenance Division	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Lieutenant William T. Scannell	Engine Company 14	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Lieutenant Paul J. Murphy	Emergency Planning Preparedness	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Roger N. Denn	Engine Company 39	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Tommie Campbell	Engine Company 30	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Joseph P. Cardoza	Fleet Maintenance	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter Ralph C. Pirelli	Engine Company 10	S5, C32, M.G.L.

Deputy Fire Chief Laizza was appointed to the department on September 5, 1979, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on May 6, 1988 promoted to Fire Captain on January 16, 1991 promoted to District Fire Chief on November 2, 1994 and promoted to Deputy Fire Chief on August 6, 1997. Fire Lieutenant Scannell was appointed to the department on December 6, 1978 promoted to Fire Lieutenant on May 9, 1984. Fire Lieutenant Murphy was appointed to the department on September 5, 1979 promoted to fire Lieutenant on May 1, 1991. Fire Fighter Denn was appointed to the department on September 17, 1975. Fire Fighter Campbell was appointed to the department on January 18, 1978. Fire Fighter Cardoza was appointed to the department on January 18, 1978. Fire Fighter Pirelli was appointed to the department on May 17, 1978. All Members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours, July 9, 2010.

Fire Alarm Construction Joseph G. Lawler	Fire Alarm Construction	S5, C32, M.G.L.
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Joseph Lawler was appointed to the department on September 17, 1975. He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Sunday, August 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

Fire Lieutenant Charles Popp	Engine Company 41	to	E.M.D.
Fire Lieutenant Sean P. Gibbons	Ladder Company 26	to	Engine Company 7
Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Connolly	Ladder Company 11	to	Ladder Company 14
Fire Fighter Sean D. Hanlon	Ladder Company 7	to	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Samuel K. Milligan	Engine Company 10	to	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter William G. Carey	Ladder Company 4	to	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Frederick Lorenz	Engine Company 22	to	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Christopher Fay	Ladder Company 16	to	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter Michael Bates	Ladder Company 29	to	Personal/Medical
Fire Fighter Bernard Taylor	Haz-Mat	to	Personal/Medical
Fire Fighter Christopher J. Cummings	Ladder Company 25	to	Haz-Mat

III. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, on July 24, 2010:

Fire Fighter Mark A. O'Callaghan	Ladder Company 18
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IV. BOARD OF MERIT

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Tyrone Marshall, Engine Company 17, for his actions while off duty on July 4, 2010. While on Tileston Road in District 12, Fire Fighter Marshall observed a gas grill fail and the propane fed fire exploded against the rear of a single family residence. It was a small area congested with family and friends attending a Independence Day cookout. To further complicate the incident the nearby garden hose was exposed to the extending flames.

Fire Fighter Marshall dressed only in shorts and a tee shirt and equipped with a fire extinguisher, knocked down the fire around the burning propane cylinder. He also cooled down the exposed siding on the home long enough to delay the burning process until the arrival of apparatus. As this was occurring a large multiple alarm fire had just been struck for a housing complex in nearby Hyde Park which had committed all surrounding BFD resources. While putting himself at significant risk, Fire Fighter Marshall's initiative and quick aggressive actions prevented a major fire to his neighbor's home. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Tyrone Marshall, Engine Company 17, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

V. COMMENDATIONS

1.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter James J. Kenney, Ladder Company 4, for responding, while off duty, on the night of July 8, 2010. On that night box 7224 was struck for a building fire at 127 I Street, in District 6. Fire Fighter Kenney assisted Engine Company 21 in opening a locked gate, locating the fire, and helping to advance their attack line. His actions helped to stop any advancement of the fire to the upper floors of the building. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

2.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Shawn Teeple, Ladder Company 15, for his actions while off duty on July 21, 2010. On that day Boston Fire Department apparatus arrived at a vehicle accident on West Roxbury Parkway in District 12. They observed Fire Fighter Teeple holding cervical traction on a victim of the accident. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 23**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
AUGUST 25, 2010**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated will become effective at 1700 hours, August 31, 2010.

Fire Captain Francis X. Walsh	Fire Prevention Division	S5, C32, M.G.L
Fire Fighter John E. Stewart	Engine Company 41	S5, C32, M.G.L

Fire Captain Walsh was appointed to the department on February 6, 1980 was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on April 30, 2003 and promoted to Fire Captain on December 20, 2006. Fire Fighter Stewart was appointed to the department on August 31, 1977. All Members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Wednesday, September 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

Fire Lieutenant Brian P. Tully	Engine Company 48	to	Engine Company 14
Fire Lieutenant John Berthiaume	Engine Company 22	to	Engine Company 41
Fire Lieutenant Edward J. Gottwald	Engine Company 30	to	Engine Company 55
Fire Lieutenant James P. McAdams	Personnel Division	to	Ladder Company 11
Fire Lieutenant John Soares	Ladder Company 24	to	Ladder Company 26
Fire Fighter Richard MacDonald	Engine Company 3	to	Engine Company 10
Fire Fighter Patrick J. Foley	Tower-Ladder 3	to	Engine Company 10
Fire Fighter Eric Evans	Engine Company 28	to	Engine Company 20
Fire Fighter Steven W. Perry	Engine Company 14	to	Ladder Company 4
Fire Fighter Michael S. McCarthy	Ladder Company 19	to	Ladder Company 4
Fire Fighter Mark A. DuBeau	Engine Company 42	to	Training Division

Fire Fighter	Brian M. Sellon	Ladder Company 4	to	Ladder Company 29
Fire Fighter	Christopher J. Tilman	Engine Company 22	to	Tower-Ladder 3
Fire Fighter	Matthew Vaitiskis	Engine Company 28	to	Tower-Ladder 3
Fire Fighter	Ryan J. Oag	Ladder Company 14	to	Tower-Ladder 3
Fire Fighter	Denis McKeeney	Tower-Ladder 3	to	Rescue Company 1
Fire Fighter	Kenneth Gibson	W-25	to	Engine Company 55 (eff.8/13/10)

III. PROMOTION TO PRINCIPAL FIRE ALARM OPERATOR

The following named member was promoted to Principal Fire Alarm Operator and transferred to the Fire Alarm Division effective 0800 hours, June 28, 2010:

Senior Fire Alarm Operator
Stephen F. Keeley

Fire Alarm Division

IV. BOARD OF MERIT

1.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Joseph W. Spinale, Ladder Company 21, for his actions on May 29, 2010. On that day, box 6142 was struck for a building fire at 61 Gove Street in District 1. First companies reported smoke showing. On arrival Ladder Company 21 was informed of a person trapped on the third floor. After sizing up the situation, Fire Fighter Spinale and another member immediately ascended the rear fire escape to the third floor and vented a window to gain access. Without the benefit of a charged line they entered the window in an attempt to search for victims but were driven back by the intense heat and smoke. A bulging rear wall and a weakened fire escape added to the severe fire conditions. Fire Fighter Spinale and the other member made a second entry and found a burned unconscious victim inside a bedroom. They removed her to the rear fire escape and awaiting fire fighters. They again reentered the building to continue their search and found no other victims. Without regard for his own safety and under extreme personal risk, Fire Fighter Spinale helped save the victim from more serious injuries or possible death. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Joseph W. Spinale, Ladder Company 21, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

2.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Captain Carlos Nieves, Ladder Company 21, for his actions on May 29, 2010. On that day, box 6142 was struck for a building fire at 61 Gove Street in District 1. First companies reported smoke showing.

On arrival Ladder Company 21 was informed of a person trapped on the third floor. After sizing up the situation, Fire Captain Nieves and another member immediately ascended the rear fire escape to the third floor and vented a window to gain access. Without the benefit of a charged line they entered the window in an attempt to search for victims but were driven back by the intense heat and smoke. A bulging rear wall and a weakened fire escape added to the severe fire conditions. Captain Nieves and the other member made a second entry and found a burned unconscious victim inside a bedroom. They removed her to the rear fire escape and awaiting fire fighters. They again reentered the building to continue their search and found no other victims. Without regard for his own safety and under extreme personal risk, Fire Captain Nieves helped save the victim from more serious injuries or possible death. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Captain Carlos Nieves, Ladder Company 21, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

V. COMMENDATIONS

1.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Gregory R. LaVallee, Tower Ladder Company 3, for his actions while off duty on July 6, 2010. On that day box 4141 was struck for a building fire at 39 to 41 High Street in District 3. Temperatures exceeded 100 degrees as Fire Fighter LaVallee assisted Engine Company 50 with hydrant operations during the four alarm fire. His initiative and actions enabled Engine Company 50 to free up a third member for the advancement of the initial attack line to the top floor of the fire building. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

2.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Alarm Operator Valerie Lungelow for her actions on July 26, 2010. On that day she received a phone call from a gentleman who was experiencing symptoms of a stroke. The caller was disoriented and his slurred speech made gathering additional information difficult. Operator Lungelow displayed great patience obtaining his history of strokes and all other pertinent information. She was able to calm the patient down and with great effort ascertain an address for the responding company, Ladder Company 29, and Boston EMS. However, the caller had given the wrong address and Operator Lungelow, again with great difficulty was able to get a description of the house and pass it along to Ladder Company 29, and Boston EMS. Boston Fire personnel located the victim and administered care until the arrival of EMS where the patient was transported to an area hospital. From the initial call, Operator Lungelow was on the phone for over ten minutes before the patient was located. It is doubtful the patient would have received help in such a timely manner if she had not taken the extra steps of remaining on the phone and reassuring the victim while gathering information. Her performance was in the best tradition of the Fire Alarm Division and the Department. This commendation shall be made part of her personnel file.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 24**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 15, 2010**

**FIRE FIGHTER DANIEL E. MOORE
FLEET FACILITIES**

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter Daniel E. Moore, Fleet Facilities who died on August 26, 2010. Fire Fighter Moore was appointed to the department on January 18, 1978.

The Memorial Mass was held from the Saint Mary of the Assumption Church, 22 Oak Street, Dedham, on Thursday, September 2, 2010 at 0900 hours

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 25**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 20, 2010**

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named members were promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours September 15, 2010

Fire Lieutenant James P. Greene	Ladder Company 15
Fire Lieutenant Sean B. Linnell	Engine Company 22
Fire Lieutenant Mark J. O'Brien	Ladder Company 23

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours September 15, 2010

Fire Fighter Robert T. Smith	Engine Company 14
Fire Fighter Paul V. Hoban	Ladder Company 18
Fire Fighter John C. DuBeau	Tower Ladder 17
Fire Fighter Eric C. Then	Ladder Company 2

III. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Senior Fire Alarm Operator Diane Clifford for her actions on April 7, 2010 while answering a 911 call. On that day box 1583 was struck for a hi-rise building fire at 438 Beacon St., District 4, which would eventually go to nine alarms. The occupant of a 10th floor penthouse apartment attempted to exit the building but was driven back to his apartment because of a heavy smoke condition. He called 911 and spoke to Operator Clifford who stayed with him for over 13 minutes while she directed field rescue members to him through the radio Operator and

the Incident Commander. The frantic and distressed occupant sounded as if he were being overcome by the smoke and seemed ready to succumb to the extreme fire conditions. Operator Clifford continued to prompt him to do different tactics to ward off the smoke until help could reach him. She informed him to put a rolled towel at the base of the door, get to an open window, and pull his shirt over his head to ward off the effects of the smoke which was choking him. She stayed with him until Ladder Company 26's members found and rescued him from the building. Her professionalism stood out during this chaotic period, as she continued to advise, comfort, and assist the panicked occupant through the ordeal. This commendation shall be made part of her personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 26**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 27, 2010**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours, September 17, 2010.

Fire Fighter
Yuji Hairston Engine Company 29 S5, C32, M.G.L

Fire Fighter Hairston was appointed to the department on August 14, 1985.

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours, September 24, 2010.

Fire Fighter
John O'Neill Ladder Company 29 S7, C32, M.G.L

Fire Fighter O'Neill was appointed to the department on October 28, 1987.

The retirement of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated will become effective at 1700 hours, September 30, 2010.

Fire Captain
Thomas Ford Engine Company 49 S7-94B, C32, M.G.L
Fire Fighter
Gerard J. Crowley Marine Unit S5, C32, M.G.L

Fire Captain Ford was appointed to the department on October 30, 1974 was promoted to Fire Lieutenant on July 1, 1986 and promoted to Fire Captain on December 8, 2001. Fire Fighter Crowley was appointed to the department on December 24, 1969.

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

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Friday, October 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

Fire Lieutenant
Donald A. Robinson Ladder Company 25 to Personnel/Medical

Fire Lieutenant James B. O'Brien	Fire Academy	to	Engine Company 22
Fire Lieutenant Martin J. Fernandes	Tower Ladder 10	to	Engine Company 30
Fire Lieutenant Paulo M. DaSilva	Tower Ladder 10	to	Engine Company 48
Fire Lieutenant Stephen M. Montoya	Personnel Division	to	Ladder Company 24
Fire Fighter Julio C. Estrada	Fire Brigade	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter Christopher A. Serra	Fire Prevention	to	Engine Company 8
Fire Fighter Thomas Timmons	H-3/Haz-Mat Unit	to	Engine Company 3
Fire Fighter Kenneth T. Gibson	Engine Company 55	to	Engine Company 22
Fire Fighter Vincent Gonzalez	Engine Company 28	to	Engine Company 22
Fire Fighter Joel Cruz	Engine Company 49	to	Engine Company 28
Fire Fighter James Kenney	Ladder Company 4	to	Engine Company 42
Fire Fighter Paul J. Lyons	Engine Company 53	to	Engine Company 42
Fire Fighter Thomas C. Hughes	Engine Company 22	to	Tower Ladder 17
Fire Fighter Jeremy M. Nelson	Engine Company 22	to	Tower Ladder 17
Fire Fighter Brian E. James	Engine Company 22	to	Ladder Company 19
Fire Fighter Michael Gormley	Tower Ladder 10	to	Ladder Company 25
Fire Fighter Paul Nemes	Engine Company 14 (ICT to H-1/Grp. 1)	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter John A. Smith	Rescue Company 1	to	Engine Company 10 (ICT /Grp 1) Effective 9/1/10

III. BOARD OF MERIT

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Counihan, Ladder Company 24, for his actions on July 14, 2010. During the early morning hours,

box 1361 was struck for a building fire at 51 Phillips Street in District 3. Upon arrival, members were alerted by a neighbor that there was a fire on the second floor, and that people might be trapped inside the apartment. While performing a primary search of the floor, Lieutenant Counihan heard cries from the rear of the apartment. Proceeding down the hallway through heavy smoke conditions and passing the room on fire he located the victim and dragged her back down the hallway. There he was assisted by two other members from his company who removed the victim from the building and treated her for extensive burns until the arrival of Boston EMS. The quick actions of Fire Lieutenant Counihan during this rescue exposed himself to great personal risk before ventilation and charged lines were in place. Therefore the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Counihan, Ladder Company 24, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 27**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
SEPTEMBER 29, 2010**

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Friday, October 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

Fire Fighter Robert Cox	Ladder Company 29	to	Fire Prevention
Fire Fighter Sharon Galloway	Tower Ladder 3	to	Fire Prevention

H. UNIT CITATIONS

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend the members of Engine Company 33, Ladder Company 15, and Rescue Company 1 for their actions during a water incident in the Charles River. In the early hours of August 20, 2010 fire apparatus were dispatched to the mid point of the Mass. Ave bridge for two persons in the Charles River. The members of Ladder Company 15 and Engine Company 33 immediately lowered down a member on a rope in a survival suit from the top of the bridge into the water. As Rescue Company 1 arrived, their members also lowered to the river one member in a survival suit. They both helped to stabilize the victims prior to rescue boats arriving.

Because of their quick actions, teamwork and professionalism during a nighttime water rescue, they helped save the two victims from serious injury or death. Therefore, the Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to:

Engine Company 33	Ladder Company 15
Fire Lieutenant Mark Corwin	Fire Lieutenant Louis Nieves
Fire Fighter Brian Roberts	Fire Fighter Mark Folan
Fire Fighter Christopher Wright	Fire Fighter Sheila Leahy
Fire Fighter Michael Merchant (detailed to L15)	Fire Fighter Michael Materia

Rescue Company 1
A/Fire Lieutenant Edgar Rodriguez
Fire Fighter Edward Loder
Fire Fighter Reginald Creighton
Fire Fighter William Berrio

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 28**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 5, 2010**

I. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention Week will be observed in the City of Boston from October 3 to October 9, 2010, inclusive. The Boston Fire Department is engaged in a program of promoting fire prevention to the public. To assist in setting this example, it is the sincere wish of the Fire Commissioner and the Chief of Department that all members of the department support its Fire Prevention Week activities. This may be done by conveying to your family, friends and relatives those events which are in support of this worthwhile activity and by requesting their presence whenever possible.

The theme for this year's Fire Prevention Week is **"Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With!"** The campaign is designed to educate people about the importance of smoke alarms and encourages everyone to take the steps necessary to update and maintain their home smoke alarm protection.

Company officers shall review with all members the regulations concerning the installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. The Fire Prevention Division website has information pertaining to these areas. This information will assist members in answering questions that the public may have while visiting.

The Fire Prevention Division will distribute **"Smoke Alarms: A Sound You Can Live With!"** banners. These banners shall be displayed on the front of firehouses from 0800 hours, October 3, 2010, until 0800 hours, October 9, 2010.

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

If a person or group wishes a tour of the firehouse, all hands shall be summoned to the main floor to greet the visitors. Tours shall include explaining how an alarm is received at the firehouse, followed by a demonstration of sounding the house gong, turning on the house lights, and if applicable, having a member slide down the pole.

Members should pay special attention to children during firehouse visits. They should talk to the children about knowing their home address, how to dial 9-1-1, STOP-DROP & ROLL, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and having an escape plan to exit their home in an emergency.

A suggested demonstration would include having a member dress in full bunker gear with an airpack and facepiece on. Explain to the children that this is what firefighters look like when coming into their homes during a fire. Show them the apparatus, turn on the lights and siren, ask for questions and encourage them to take any safety pamphlets that you may have. If additional educational material is needed, it can be obtained by dialing the Public Information Office at 617-343-3415.

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

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

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

Firefighters are to pay special attention to the observance of fire hazards and to the duty of observing and locating fire hazards along the route followed by them in their coming to and going from daily work. All buildings being erected, demolished or significantly remodeled require permits, as do storage and use of flammable gases. Notify your District Fire Chief and/or Fire Prevention Division at extension 3-2191. Dilapidated buildings, rubbish accumulation and the other hazards should be reported in accordance with abatement procedures as outlined in S.O.P. # 25. The public expects uniformed members of the fire department to know something about fire prevention work and to have an interest in this subject since they are public employees engaged in this field. Firefighters, therefore, during Fire Prevention Week, should have this subject uppermost in their minds and they should not pass a fire hazard at any time without making a note of it for reference to the Fire Prevention Division. In short, every uniformed member in the fire department is a fire prevention inspector at all times.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 29**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 28, 2010**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours, October 8, 2010.

Fire Fighter
Paul S. Arathuzik Rescue Company 1 S7, C32, M.G.L

Fighter Arathuzik was appointed to the department on December 8, 1982.

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with the provisions indicated became effective at 1700 hours, October 15, 2010.

Fire Fighter
Elliot Coleman Ladder Company 25 S7, C32, M.G.L

Fire Fighter
Walter J. Godino Engine Company 55 S7, C32, M.G.L

Fire Fighter Coleman was appointed to the department on December 8, 1982. Fire Fighter Godino was appointed to the department on July 13, 1994.

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

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Wednesday, November 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

Fire Captain
James P. Greene Personnel Div. to Fire Prevention Div.
(eff. 9/15/10)

Fire Lieutenant
Michael J. Whelan Engine Company 56 to Engine Company 22

Fire Lieutenant
Kevin M. McCarthy Engine Company 53 to Ladder Company 15

Fire Lieutenant
Dennis A. MacDonald Engine Company 24 to Ladder Company 23

Fire Lieutenant
Lawrence P. MacDougall Tower Ladder 3 to Ladder Company 25

Fire Lieutenant			
Paulo M. DaSilva	Engine Company 48	to	Tower Ladder 10
Fire Lieutenant			
Glenn D. McGillivray	Engine Company 28	to	Tower Ladder 10
Fire Lieutenant			
Francis J. Brown	Ladder Company 19	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
Harry W. Daniels	Engine Company 55	to	Engine Company 49
Fire Fighter			
Randy J. Greeley	Ladder Company 26	to	Ladder Company 18
Fire Fighter			
Peter Serrecchia	Ladder Company 25	to	Fire Prevention
Fire Fighter			
Frederick M. Magrath	Tower Ladder 10	to	Personnel Medical
	(ICT to Deputy/Grp. 1)		
Fire Fighter			
Larry Johnson	Engine Company 49	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
Willie J. Davis	Engine Company 2	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
John M. Walsh	Engine Company 10	to	Personnel Medical
	(ICT to Deputy/Grp. 3)		

III. REINSTATEMENTS

The following named members were reinstated to the department on October 4, 2010.

Fire Lieutenant		
Coleman F. Connolly		Personnel Division
Fire Fighter		
James M. MacKinnon		Engine Company 3

IV. BOARD OF MERIT

1.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Edward T. Loder, Rescue Company 1, for his actions during a water incident in the Charles River. In the early hours of August 20, 2010 fire companies were dispatched to the mid point of the Mass. Ave. bridge for two persons in the Charles River. As Rescue Company 1 arrived, Fire Fighter Loder immediately suited up in the survival suit. At great personal risk to Fire Fighter Loder, members of Rescue Company 1 lowered him, by rope, from the top of the bridge to the river below. Once in the water, he swam over to another member who

was assisting in keeping the two victims stabilized prior to the rescue boats arriving. Because of his fast actions, teamwork and professionalism during a nighttime water rescue, he helped save the two victims from serious injury or death. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Edward T. Loder, Rescue Company 1, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

2.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Mark M. Folan, Ladder Company 15, for his actions during a water incident in the Charles River. In the early hours of August 20, 2010 fire companies were dispatched to the mid point of the Mass. Ave. bridge for two persons in the Charles River. Upon arrival, Fire Fighter Folan immediately suited up in the survival suit. At great personal risk to Fire Fighter Folan, members of Engine Company 33 and Ladder Company 15 lowered him, by rope, from the top of the bridge to the river below. Once in the water, he swam over to the two victims and stabilized them prior to the the rescue boats arriving. Because of his quick actions, teamwork and professionalism during a nighttime water rescue, he helped save the two victims from serious injury or death. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Mark M. Folan, Ladder Company 15, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review

3.) The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Phillip J. Cetrino, Rescue Company 1, for his actions on August 30, 2010. Rescue Company 1 was dispatched for a report of a jumper at 1999 Commonwealth Ave. District 11. Upon arrival they were notified of a highly distraught and agitated woman standing on the six floor window ledge. After making their way to the roof, Rescue 1 members and Fire Fighter Cetrino prepared for a high angle rescue. With safety harness and ropes attached he placed himself as close to the edge of the roof as possible without drawing attention from the agitated woman. After conferring with a Boston Police negotiator it was decided that they would try to lure the woman from the window ledge or just inside the room. Boston Police negotiators were able to talk her off the window ledge as Fire Fighter Cetrino rappelled into the window, knocking the woman down. She was armed with a scalpel and a struggle ensued where he was able to prevent the woman from harming herself and him. The Boston Police rapidly entered the apartment and subdued the screaming woman. Fire Fighter Cetrino placed himself at extreme personal risk rappel from the roof of a six story building, in total darkness, and with limited anchor points. Moreover, Fire Fighter Cetrino, while being tethered to ropes that limited his movements, was able to save the life of a very distraught woman armed with a dangerous weapon. He and the other members who participated in this highly charged incident demonstrated the professionalism and extensive training of the members of the Boston Fire Department. Therefore, the Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Phillip J. Cetrino, Rescue Company 1, and refers this case to the Board of Merit for further review.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 30**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 29, 2010**

**I. APPOINTMENT TO DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR PLANNING AND
ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Effective 0800 hrs October 25, 2010 the position of Deputy Commissioner for Planning and Organizational Development is created in the Boston Fire Department. Reporting directly to the Fire Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner for Planning and Organizational Development is the manager of Strategic Planning, Training, Information Technology and Emergency Planning and Preparedness at the Boston Fire Department.

Francis E. McCarton has been appointed as the Deputy Commissioner for Planning and Organizational Development.

Francis E. McCarton comes to the Boston Fire Department from the California Emergency Management Agency where he served as Under Secretary since 2004. In his former position, he supervised Emergency Prevention; Information Sharing and Operations; Public Safety; Victim Services, and Emergency Management Programs; Planning Protection and Preparedness; Training and Exercise; and Public Information. Deputy Commissioner McCarton has also served as Deputy Commissioner, New York City Mayor's Office of Emergency Management and the New York City Fire Department (FDNY) as the Public Information Officer and Executive Assistant to Division Commander for Emergency Medical Services in Manhattan.

**BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.**

I. BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT STATION BATHROOM POLICY

1. Purpose: To insure that fire station facilities, especially bunkrooms, restrooms and locker areas, are used in a manner that provides for the privacy concerns of ALL members, and to prevent discrimination as related to the provision or use of those facilities. To insure compliance with Federal OSHA standards regarding provision of restroom facilities for employees.

2. Effective immediately: in all firehouses permanently housing a female firefighter, one of the bathrooms shall be designated as a permanent female bathroom. The entrance door to the room shall be clearly and at eye level marked as "Female". No male members shall use the female bathroom. The only exceptions are when (all) female firefighter(s) are on vacation or extended leave, the bathroom may be temporarily used by the male firefighters. The bathroom shall be cleaned and returned to the same state before the female firefighter left for vacation or extended leave.

Effective immediately: in all firehouses where a female firefighter is temporarily assigned/detailed, in advance of her arrival one bathroom shall be temporarily designated as a female bathroom. The bathroom shall be cleaned and cleared of personal belongings in advance of her arrival. The bathroom door shall be clearly and at eye level marked as "Female". For the duration of her tour of duty, no male members shall use the female bathroom. The female firefighter is responsible for leaving the bathroom cleaned when she leaves her temporary assignment.

3. Women shall be responsible for maintaining and cleaning all bathrooms designated for female use.

4. Men shall be responsible for maintaining and cleaning all bathrooms designated for male use.

5. Except for inspection by supervisors, tours authorized by the house officer, maintenance or an emergency, no individual shall enter a space designated for use by the opposite gender. Under no circumstances shall anyone enter a bathroom facility designated for use by the opposite gender, without advance notice and permission from the occupant.

6. When entering a bathroom designated for unisex use, all employees shall first knock and determine that the facility is empty. Employees shall lock the entrance door when using a bathroom.
7. Privacy is a serious consideration for all members. No member is to take an action which could violate privacy of another member. All members using the bunk room area and locker room shall be suitably attired in the minimum of Department issued shorts or equivalent and a T-shirt.
8. Failure to enforce and adhere to this policy shall lead to discipline.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 32**

**HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
NOVEMBER 24, 2010**

I. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following member in accordance with the provisions indicated will become effective at 1700 hours, November 30, 2010.

Fire Fighter Stephen F. Irving	Engine Company 7	S7-94, C32, M.G.L
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Fire Fighter Irving was appointed to the department on June 14, 1989. He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Wednesday, December 1, 2010 at 0800 hours:

Fire Lieutenant John M. Kilroe	Ladder Company 4	to	Engine Company 24
Fire Lieutenant Paulo M. DaSilva	Tower-Ladder 10	to	Engine Company 28
Fire Lieutenant James E. Sullivan	Ladder Company 28	to	Engine Company 48
Fire Lieutenant Sean F. Kelly	Engine Company 22	to	Engine Company 53
Fire Lieutenant Jeffrey Clark	Personnel Division	to	Engine Company 56
Fire Lieutenant Horacio D. Brienza	Ladder Company 19/Grp3	to	Ladder Company 19/Grp 1
Fire Lieutenant Thomas M. Goggin	Ladder Company 4	to	Tower Ladder 3
Fire Lieutenant Michael Walsh	Rescue Company 2	to	Emergency Preparedness and Planning
Fire Lieutenant James J. Hoar	Ladder Company 4	to	Training Division
Fire Fighter Frank C. Rogier	Special Oper. Command	to	Engine Company 28
Fire Fighter David E. Thompson	Engine Company 55	to	Engine Company 49
Fire Fighter Joseph F. Mahoney	Engine Company 37	to	Ladder Company 19

Fire Fighter				
Michael Thornton	Engine Company 49	to	Ladder Company 19	
Fire Fighter				
Timothy M. Sullivan	Engine Company 53	to	Ladder Company 19	
Fire Fighter				
Leopold Martinez	Engine Company 42	to	Ladder Company 25	
Fire Fighter				
Robert G. Flinn	Engine Company 52	to	Ladder Company 29	
Fire Fighter				
Joel C. Duke	Ladder Company 19	to	Training Division	
Fire Fighter				
Michael A. Blaney	Ladder Company 14	to	Ladder Company 18	

III. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective at 1700 hours, on November 4, 2010.

Fire Fighter on Probation
Daniel Whoriskey

Fire Academy

IV. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Charles Pero, Engine Company 37, for his actions while off duty on October 31, 2010. That night, he was returning to his home when he observed a fire on the front porch of 8 Thelma Road in District 8. Fire Fighter Pero immediately alerted the occupants throughout the building to leave and call the Fire Department. He located a fire extinguisher in the hallway and used it to extinguish the fire on the porch which was extending up the outside wall of the building. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER
RODERICK J. FRASER JR.