

**Fire Department** 

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To The Honorable
The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners
200 East Wells Street, Room 705
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

**Dear Commissioners:** 

I respectfully nominate Fire Lieutenant Zachary J. Hennessy to the rank of EMS Supervisor. My reasons for recommending him for promotion are found below.

Fire Lieutenant Hennessy has 9 ½ years of service with the department. He was appointed as a Firefighter in December 2012, became a licensed paramedic in October 2015, was promoted to Fire Lieutenant via a special process in June 2019, sliding laterally to Fire Lieutenant via the Fire and Police Commission eligible list in October 2020.

He possesses a Bachelor of Science Journalism Degree with an emphasis on public relations from the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh - College of Letters and Science. Fire Lieutenant Hennessy has been the HazMat Team Assistant Director since January 2020, and a team member since 2013. As said Assistant Director he was intricately involved in the development of response initiatives for the 2020 DNC. He has served as a Community Paramedic, Mobile Integrated Healthcare Technician since August 2019, proactively helping the most in need in the community. He is dedicated to creating competent medical intervention providers by performing as a CPR instructor and EMS instructor for the last five years.

Fire Lieutenant Hennessy is enthusiastic about the challenge of working with new members of the department to develop their skills and build their confidence in order to best set them up for success in adhering to EMS protocols so the community is served by the finest first responders imaginable. He is committed to using the knowledge and experience he has gained to address the challenges we as a department are facing now, and in the future in the emergency medical services field.

I recommend Fire Lieutenant Zachary J. Hennessy for promotion to the position of EMS Supervisor.

Sincerely,

AARON LIPSKI

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