

Aaron Lipski Chief

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February 23, 2023

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

Dear Commissioners:

I hereby promote and appoint, subject to your approval, and successful completion of a drug screening,

## 22 – Eric L. DeFord

to the position of FIRE LIEUTENANT in this department to fill an existing vacancy. The appointment becomes effective March 8, 2023, which is the day he returns to duty from his unpaid military leave of absence (see separate correspondence). The name appears in the order indicated on the Eligible List for Fire Lieutenant as established by your Honorable Board on January 20, 2022.

**Fire Department** 

Before advancing this member's name, the member was put through an internal vetting process wherein the member's entire record was reviewed, including disciplines, open and closed investigations, administrative matters, fitness, and history with the Fire and Police Commission. I certify that this member is in good standing with the department and suitable for promotion consistent with my statutory duties pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 62.50 (9) and (23).

Respectfully, AARON LIPSKI

Chief

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Approved by the BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Date

**Executive Director** 

