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Leon Todd  
Executive Director  
Milwaukee Fire & Police Commission  
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Dear Leon Todd:

I am writing you today to express the Milwaukee Fire Department Chief Officers Association's support for Acting Chief Aaron Lipski to be appointed as Fire Chief of the City of Milwaukee.

Aaron Lipski has served Milwaukee for over 24 years since being appointed as a firefighter in 1997. Throughout his career he has carried himself with professionalism and a desire to make the people around him better. He has learned from his mentors in each rank and ensured people under his command are proficient in their own duties. This concept is not new to him as his family has a long rich tradition of serving the City of Milwaukee for well over 100 years now as Milwaukee Firefighters.

The message from Aaron Lipski has been consistent as a chief officer. We will hold ourselves to the highest standard as we provide emergency medical and fire protection services to the citizens of Milwaukee. He has made it clear that we will continue to embrace a diverse workforce to better serve the community we protect.

We recently had a meeting with all chief officers and discussed the possibility of Aaron Lipski being appointed as Fire Chief. We voted unanimously to support him as our next chief if the opportunity was presented.

There is now an opportunity to appoint him as interim chief to complete the term of recently retired Chief Rohlffing, or begin a new four year term. We believe that appointing Aaron Lipski

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for a new four year team would provide much needed stability and consistency for the Milwaukee Fire Department as we look forward to challenging years ahead.

I am honored to share the support of the entire command staff for Aaron Lipski to be appointed as Fire Chief of the Milwaukee Fire Department.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Schuyler Belott', written in a cursive style.

Schuyler Belott  
Chair- Milwaukee Fire Department COA