

Fire Department

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June 10, 2021

To The Honorable
The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners
200 East Wells Street, Room 706
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

Dear Commissioners:

I respectfully nominate Acting Deputy Chief Travis L. Jones to the rank of Deputy Chief. My reasons for recommending him for promotion are found below.

Acting Deputy Chief Jones has nearly 19 years of service with the department. He was appointed as a Firefighter in March 2004, was promoted to Heavy Equipment Operator in September 2008, to Fire Lieutenant in December 2011, to Fire Captain in February 2017, serving in the Incident Safety Officer position from June 2019 until his promotion to Battalion Chief in December 2019, and finally to Acting Deputy Chief on May 7, 2021 as approved by your Honorable Board at the May 6, 2021 Fire & Police Commission Meeting.

Acting Deputy Chief Jones earned an Associate's Degree in Fire Service Technician from Milwaukee Area Technical College, as well as a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management with a focus on Public Safety from Cardinal Stritch University. He has completed the Milwaukee Fire Department Professional Development Program, and furthermore, as a graduate of The Carl Holmes Executive Development Institute he is experienced in translating contemporary leadership knowledge to the fire service.



He has consistently demonstrated a strong ability to lead, mentor, and educate department personnel as evidenced by the accomplishments of getting 52 fire cadets Firefighter 1 State Certified and developing the firefighting curriculum of the Fire Cadet Program.

He is respected among his peers for his dependability, honesty, and dedication to the City of Milwaukee. I recommend Acting Deputy Chief Chief Travis L. Jones for promotion to the position of Deputy Chief.

Sincerely,

AARON LIPSKI Acting Chief

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