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Northampton Fire Chief Selected as New Fire Marshal for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NORTHAMPTON - Today, Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra proudly announced that Chief Jon Davine of the Northampton Fire/Rescue Department has been chosen to serve as the new Fire Marshal for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Chief Davine, who has led the Northampton Fire/Rescue Department since March 2020, has been instrumental in guiding the city through the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and managing an unprecedented surge in emergency call volume. Additionally, he has successfully expanded and streamlined Northampton's ambulance service, demonstrating his commitment to improving public safety. Davine will be the first Fire Marshall from western Massachusetts and the first to have started as a Department of Fire Services recruit and work his way to the top job using a system designed to make that possible.

Chief Davine remarked, "I have been proud to serve the people of Northampton alongside my fellow firefighters and all of my colleagues in city government for the past 25 years. It's hard to leave Northampton, but I am eager to put everything I've learned here to work for the Commonwealth as Fire Marshall."

Chief Davine has been a prominent figure in western Massachusetts, advocating for coordinated approaches to regional issues and playing a crucial role in establishing a robust mutual aid system. His dedication to serving the community and exceptional leadership skills have earned him the respect and admiration of his peers among municipal department heads.

Mayor Sciarra shared, "After Chief Davine's outstanding career in Northampton, I am immensely proud that the Commonwealth has recognized the exceptional talent that our city cultivates in its public safety experts. Chief Davine's appointment as Fire Marshal is a testament to his unwavering commitment to public safety. Northampton will miss him."

“I look forward to working with Chief Davine in his new role as a key leader in Massachusetts’ public safety infrastructure,” said Secretary Terrence M. Reidy of the Executive Office of Public Safety & Security.

Chief Davine's extensive background in fire service showcases his qualifications for the new role. He joined the Northampton Fire/Rescue Department in 1998. Steadily progressing through the ranks, he achieved the positions of Captain within five years, Deputy Chief in 13 years, and ultimately, Assistant Fire Chief in 2015. Alongside his experience, Chief Davine holds a Bachelor's Degree in Fire Service Management from UMass Amherst. He completed the Chief Fire Officer Management Training Program at the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy in 2016. Chief Davine currently serves as the emergency manager for the City of Northampton, as a Hazmat technician on the District 4 Hazardous Materials Response Team, and as a member of the Department of Fire Services’ Joint Hazard Incident Response Team, where he works closely with the State Police Bomb Squad. His exemplary service extends beyond his firefighting career, as he proudly served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1989 to 1993.

A native of Adams, Chief Davine is a Hoosac Valley High School graduate. He resides in Easthampton with his wife, Loren, and their twin sons, Drew and Zachary.

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