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Mayor and Fire Rescue Chief Announce New Assistant Chief

Today, Mayor David J. Narkewicz and Chief Duane Nichols announced the selection of Deputy Chief Jon Davine as the Northampton Fire Rescue Department's new Assistant Chief. The Assistant Chief position became vacant following the appointment of Duane Nichols as Chief in July.

Deputy Chief Jon Davine is a 17-year veteran of the Northampton Fire Rescue Department. He began his career in Northampton as a Firefighter in 1998, was promoted to Captain in 2003, and Deputy Chief in 2011. He currently serves as the Shift Commander on A-Group and supervises the departments' communication assets. Jon is also the City's Emergency Management Coordinator. He holds an Associate's Degree in Fire Protection and Safety Technology from Springfield Technical Community College.

Additionally, Jon has been a member of the District-4 Hazardous Materials Response Team for 12 years and is currently the Training Coordinator. He is also a member of the Northwest Massachusetts Incident Management Team, where he holds the position of Planning Section Chief.

Mayor Narkewicz praised the selection, stating that, "Deputy Chief Davine is an outstanding leader who has earned the respect of Northampton Fire Rescue personnel for his leadership, dedication to duty, and commitment to public safety excellence."

Deputy Chief Davine grew up in Adams, MA and graduated from Hoosac Valley Regional High School in 1989. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1989-1993 and moved to the Pioneer Valley in 1998. He currently lives in Easthampton with his wife Loren and twin boys Zachary and Drew.

A formal swearing-in ceremony will be scheduled following completion of the promotional process for Deputy Fire Chief to fill the vacancy created by new Assistant Chief Davine's promotion.