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City to Honor Retiring Fire Commissioner.

Westfield –After serving on various Boards and Commissions for the City of Westfield for a total of 41 years, Albert Masciadrelli has decided to retire from his current role of Fire Commissioner. To honor his dedication to public service and the wellbeing of the City of Westfield, Mayor Michael McCabe invites the public to a brief ceremony on Friday, July 7 at 11:00 AM in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 59 Court Street.

Masciadrelli began his public service career on the Off-Street Parking Commission in 1982, where he remained until 1999, while also taking on the additional role of Representative of the Office of the Mayor on the Business Core (downtown) Improvement Committee in 1987-88. Masciadrelli also volunteers on the Local Emergency Planning Committee and served on the Cross Street Elementary School Building Project. In March of 1999 he was appointed by then Mayor Richard Sullivan, Jr. to the Fire Commission, where he has served as a member for the last 24 years, of which he served as Chair between the years of 2000-2021.

During his time on the Fire Commission, Masciadrelli has worked hard to oversee the Westfield Fire Department (WFD) and has helped to bring the department into the 21st century. Among his achievements as Commissioner, he was instrumental in the appointment of over 200 staff, including Office staff, Firefighters, Captains, Deputy Fire Chiefs, and Fire Chiefs and during his time the Commission resolved over 80 grievances in order to help develop and maintain a strong Fire Department. “This is a World Class Emergency Services Department,” Masciadrelli shares in his retirement letter to Mayor McCabe, “WFD and its personnel are top of the line in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts when it comes to professionalism, technology and diversity in Emergency Services. This could only have been achieved through continued education, training, individual enthusiasm and professionalism exhibited by the department’s personnel with the support of the community and the city government at all levels., I thank the great community and our government officials for their faith in me and the opportunities afforded to me throughout the years.”

Mayor McCabe’s ceremony will be brief on Friday, but he notes the importance of commemorating the city’s gratitude. “We are lucky to have residents like Albert who share their time, energy and skills to give back to our community in the capacity of a Board or Commission Member,” he said, “To serve the city for over 40 years deserves a celebration and thanks.”

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