



RACINE FIRE DEPARTMENT
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO: Racine Police & Fire Commission **DATE:** September 8, 2025
FROM: Chief Steve Hansen
SUBJECT: **2025 Fire Department Promotion**

Honorable Members of the Police and Fire Commission,

As a result of the retirement of Lieutenant Gavin DeGrave from the Racine Fire Department on August 29, 2025, I respectfully submit the following promotion to fill that vacancy.

Effective August 30, 2025, at 0001 Hours
Driver Operator Darren Baumeister to Fire Suppression Lieutenant
To fill the position of Lieutenant Gavin DeGrave

All promotions to Lieutenant and Captain comply with the 2021-24 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Racine and Racine Fire Fighters Local 321 IAFF which requires members to have a passing score of 70% or greater and then ranked by seniority.

I submit the aforementioned individual for your approval.

Respectfully,

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief