



The City of Coral Gables

Fire Department

2815 SALZEDO STREET
CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA 33134

January 24, 2013

Firefighter Richard Fernandez
Battalion B

Dear Firefighter Fernandez:

Congratulations! You have been selected as February's Firefighter of the Month for your outstanding display of individual initiative surpassing job requirements and expectations, specifically your dedication to the fire service through training and educating fellow firefighters throughout the nation as well as worldwide. Being a founding member of our internationally recognized SRT team, your expertise in extrication is frequently sought after; as a result you have served as judge in numerous extrication competitions. Thank you for representing our department so admirably.

You will be formally presented as Firefighter of the Month for February 2013 at our Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 5, 2013. Please plan to arrive at the Commission Chambers by 8:45 a.m.

Arrangements have been made for you to be photographed by Mike Rocha, Video Production Manager. Please call him as soon as you get this letter to set up an appointment at 305-460-5521. Your portrait will be displayed in the lobby at Fire Station #1. As Firefighter of the Month, you will receive an 8 x 10 color photo and 12 additional annual leave hours.

Once again, the City of Coral Gables and the Firefighter of the Month Selection Committee congratulate you on being chosen the Firefighter of the Month for February 2013.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walt Reed", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Walt Reed
Fire Chief

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cc: Elsa Jaramillo-Velez, Director of Human Resources
Maria R. Higgins Fallon, Public Affairs Manager
Capt. Tony Jedlinski, FF of the Month Committee
Lt. Thad Ovcarich, FF of the Month Committee
Mike Rocha, Video Production Manager
Nichole Somarriba, Fire/Payroll
Finance Department/Payroll Section