



THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES
Fire Department

December 23, 2019

Battalion Chief Hernandez
Battalion A

Dear Chief Hernandez:

Congratulations! You have been selected October's Firefighter of the Month for your act of concern and consideration in dealing with the public, fellow employees, and supervisors. Specifically, for your courageous actions while rendering aid to victims of an accident. On the afternoon of October 28th, 2019, you witnessed a motorcyclist vs automobile accident on I-95, on your way home from assisting Broward Sheriff's Office at their promotional assessment center. You quickly pulled your personal vehicle off to the shoulder of the road and made your way to the accident scene. Upon realizing the motorcyclist had sustained significant and potentially life-threatening injuries you quickly began to render aid. You stayed on the scene until you were relieved by BSO Fire Department. Your selfless act made a significant difference in the ultimate outcome of the patient.

You are a 27-year veteran of the Coral Gables Fire Department, you have always set a high standard and lead by example. Your actions on October 28th, are a testament to your character and willingness to put the wellbeing of others ahead of your personal safety. You are deserving of Firefighter of the month for the month of October.

You will be formally presented as Firefighter of the Month for October 2019 at our Commission Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 14th, 2020. Pre-meeting presentations will be held in the City Hall Courtyard promptly at 8:30 a.m. Please plan to arrive at the City Hall Courtyard by 8:15 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 October 2019.

Sincerely,

Dean James
Deputy Chief

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cc: Karla Green, Director of Human Resources
Lt. David Perez, FF of the Month Selection Committee
Mike Rocha, Video Production Manager
Fire Department/Payroll Section
Finance Department/Payroll Section

