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Greetings,

I am making a recommendation for the promotion of Inspector Donnie Blankenship to the rank of Prevention Division Coordinator. This promotion will fill the vacancy left by the promotion of Division Chief Matt Daniel to the rank of Fire Chief. Donnie has met the required prerequisites set forth for this promotion.

Inspector Blankenship has been employed with the City of Dalton Fire Department since November 2002. Donnie progressed through the suppression ranks making Firefighter 3 in February 2011 before being reassigned to the Fire Prevention Division as an Inspector in November 2015. Since then, Inspector Blankenship has completed numerous certifications through the State of Georgia, National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications, and International Code Council that prove invaluable in the performance of his assigned duties. Additionally, Inspector Blankenship has been a certified fire investigator since March 2016 and actively participates in fire investigations within the city.

I would appreciate your support in recognizing Inspector Donnie Blankenship with a promotion to Prevention Division Coordinator.

Thank you all for your consideration.

Matt Daniel

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Fire Chief