

Chief Heiland,

This is my formal letter as to my retirement from the Long Lake Fire Department effective July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

This is the hardest letter I have ever had to write. I won't draw this out with multiple paragraphs, but I will say this.

I love and respect each and every one of my brothers and sisters on the LLFD. You have been and always will be a part of my family. I wish you all the best of luck and safety in the years to come. There is no way we won't be connected in the future.

I hope you respect my decision.

Stay Safe,

Erik Palmer