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OCFA Board Names Former OCFA Deputy Chief Patrick McIntosh Interim Fire Chief

Former Chief will lead Fire Authority While the Agency Searches for a New Fire Chief

Irvine, Calif. – The Orange County Fire Authority’s Board of Directors tonight voted unanimously to appoint Patrick McIntosh as the Authority’s interim fire chief. Chief McIntosh began his career as a firefighter in 1979 with San Gabriel Fire. He joined the Orange County Fire Authority in 1982 rising through the ranks to Deputy Chief. In 2010 he retired from the OCFA and became the Fire Chief for the city of Huntington Beach.

He holds a Master’s Degree in Organizational Leadership from Chapman University, a Bachelor’s Degree in Fire Protection Administration from California State University Los Angeles, and is a graduate of the National Fire Academy’s 4-year Executive Fire Officer Program.

Chief McIntosh will begin his duties with the Orange County Fire Authority on Friday, September 29, 2017.

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