

WHEREAS, public fire protection is a vital service to our community; and

WHEREAS, access to quality fire protection dramatically reduces the loss of life and property due to fire; and

WHEREAS, Pompano Beach Fire Rescue stands ready to provide quality fire protection 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, the members of Pompano Beach Fire Rescue engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their firefighting skills; and

WHEREAS, Pompano Beach Fire Rescue conducts fire prevention activities to help reduce the risk of fire; and

WHEREAS, the Insurance Service Organization (ISO) uses the Fire Suppression Rating System to measure the major elements of a community's fire-suppression systems and develops a numerical grading called a Public Protection Classification (PPC); and

WHEREAS, the PPC rating represents the effectiveness of the fire protection in a community; and

WHEREAS, insurance companies use the PPC rating to determine the fire insurance rates for commercial and residential properties within a community; and

WHEREAS, ISO rates fire departments with a PPC of 1 to 10 and those fire departments that best meet the standards of ISO receive a PPC of 1; and

WHEREAS, communities with a PPC rating of 1 are afforded the lowest fire insurance rates; and

WHEREAS, ISO rates over 46,000 fire departments across the country and only 242 or less than 0.5% have received a Class 1 rating; now

**THEREFORE,** I, Lamar Fisher, Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission, give special recognition to the men and women of Pompano Beach Fire Rescue for obtaining an ISO Class 1 rating, confirming that the City of Pompano Beach Fire Rescue is one of the best fire departments in the nation:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Pompano Beach to be affixed on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, in the year two thousand and seventeen.

LAMAR FISHER MAYOR