



Lakewood Fire District No. 1

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FIRE COMMISSIONERS ISSUE PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SERVICE OF JUAN ORTIZ

During their meeting on Monday, September 9th, 2019, the Board of Fire Commissioners of Lakewood Fire District No.1 presented a Proclamation to the family of Past Commissioner, and Firefighter, Juan Ortiz, who passed away this past February.



Commissioner Ortiz became a member of the Lakewood Fire Department in March of 1991, when he joined Reliance Hose Company No.4. During his twenty-eight-year tenure as a dedicated volunteer member of Reliance Hose Company No.4, Commissioner Ortiz proudly served as a member of the Fire Police and Rescue Team and as a firefighter and officer within the Company. He held the office of President, Company Trustee, Department Trustee and Second Lieutenant. He also held the office of Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners, as well as serving as a Fire Commissioner for thirteen years.

Commissioner Ortiz's dedication, experience and expertise has been invaluable to the Lakewood Fire Department. His contribution to the fire service has made him an inspiration and mentor to many firefighters and has enured to the community as a whole, earning him the respect, admiration, leadership and high regard of all with whom he came into contact and the fire service has sustained a great loss by his death.

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Lakewood Fire District No. 1 recognizes and commends the dedication of Commissioner Ortiz and his inspiration as well as his commitment to the many offices held during his service with Reliance Hose Company No.4. The Fire Commissioners extends its sorrow and prayers to his family.