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Fire Department Announces New Battalion Chief, Lieutenant and Sergeant

Troup County, Ga. January 13, 2020 – The Troup County Fire Department is pleased to announce the promotions of Norman Robinson, Fire Lieutenant/EMT to Battalion Chief; Richard Kee, Fire Sergeant/EMT to Lieutenant; and Jeremy "Chase" Freeman, Firefighter/EMT to Sergeant, effective January 15, 2020.

Mr. Robinson has been employed with the Troup County Fire Department since July 1989. In 2007, he was promoted to Lieutenant where he was responsible for managing the Fire Prevention Program and assisting with daily operations. During his employment with the fire department, he earned his EMT-I certification, as well as Live Fire Instructor and CPR Instructor certifications. He was recognized as Firefighter of the Year in 1996, 2006, and 2017. He currently resides in Troup County and has four children, Sherika, Justin, Tristin, and Emily. He also has five grandchildren.

Mr. Kee joined the Troup County Fire Department in September 1995. He was named Firefighter of the Year in 2009 and was promoted to Sergeant in August 2014. During his years of service to Troup County, he has earned several certifications, such as EMT-I, Fire Instructor, Live Fire Instructor, Health and Wellness Instructor, and Extrication Instructor, as well as completing the Fire Science Technology Program at West Georgia Technical College. Kee resides in Valley, Alabama with his wife, Allison. They have three children and eight grandchildren with #9 arriving in July.

Mr. Freeman began his career with the Troup County Fire Department in September 2017 after serving Coweta County Fire Department for three years prior. Before joining the fire service, he served as a Patrol Sergeant with the Newnan Police Department for twelve years where he was a member of the Special Response Team (S.R.T.) (S.W.A.T.) as well as a law enforcement helicopter pilot. Freeman lives in Troup County with his wife, Shannon, and his daughter, Emalyn.

Robinson, Kee, and Freeman are all looking forward to beginning their advanced roles within the Fire Department and are eager to continue their passions for providing exceptional fire service to the citizens of Troup County. "They each uniquely possess the knowledge, experience, training, and leadership skills necessary to be strong assets to the community," said Fire Chief John Ekaitis.

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