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Lt. Harry Zafiris Completes International Professional Designation Process



Lieutenant Harry Zafiris has successfully completed the process that awards the professional designation of "Fire Officer" (FO). The Commission on Professional Credentialing (CPC) met on March 13, 2018 to confer the designation. Lieutenant Zafiris becomes one of only 456 FO's worldwide.

The Designation program is a voluntary program designed to recognize individuals who demonstrate their excellence in seven measured components including experience, education, professional development, professional

contributions, association membership, community involvement and technical competence. In addition, all applicants are required to identify a future professional development plan.

The FO designation program uses a comprehensive peer review model to evaluate candidates seeking the credential. The Commission on Professional Credentialing (CPC) awards the designation only after an individual successfully meets all of the organization's stringent criteria.

Achieving this designation signifies Lieutenant Zafiris' commitment to his career in the fire and emergency services. Lieutenant Zafiris joins Greater Naples Battalion Chief Matt Trent and Fire Chief Kingman Schuldt to achieve this prestigious designation.

This professional designation is valid for three years. Maintaining the designation requires recipients to show continued growth in the areas of professional development, professional contributions, active association membership and community involvement as well as adhere to a strict code of professional conduct.

The Commission on Professional Credentialing, an entity of the Center for Public Safety Excellence, Inc., (CPSE) administers the Designation Program. The CPC consists of individuals from academia, federal and local government, and the fire and emergency medical services profession. To learn more about CPC, visit www.cpse.org.

If you would like more information regarding this topic, or to schedule an interview, please contact the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District Headquarters.