

**PROCLAMATION TO HONOR
LIEUTENANT THOMAS O'HERRON
2022 FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, Thomas O'Herron became a volunteer Firefighter, joining Troy's Fire Station One, 26 years ago on February 3, 1997; and

WHEREAS, His selection as **Firefighter of the Year** is due to his many years of dedication to the Troy Fire Department, having served with honor and dignity in all of his roles at Station 1 including Firefighter and Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, During his service with the department, **Lt. O'Herron** has routinely performed his duties in an exemplary manner. He served on their special response unit from 2003 until 2006. More recently, he oversaw and led the revitalization of the Troy Fire Department Honor Guard. This task included recruiting and training new members, redesigning and modernizing the uniforms, and expanding the role and involvement of the team within the community; and

WHEREAS, Lt. O'Herron was the leader of the Troy Fire Department's water battle team for over a decade, which won many of the battles against other fire departments. At Fire Station 1, he often leads weekly training, serves on the open house committee and helps in any aspect he can; and

WHEREAS, Lt. O'Herron is an excellent role model for the probationary members, and has been recognized for his efforts with several awards including Station Member of the Year (Station #1) in 2009 and 2020, He also received multiple meritorious service awards, safe driving awards, and unit commendations for his actions at incidents over his 26 years serving the Troy community. He also served on the Special Response Unit from November, 2002 until March, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Tom grew up in Troy and graduated from Athens High School in 1992. He and his wife **Annette** are proud of their children, **Chloe** 18 and **Riley** 14. He works for Cregger Plumbing as a journeyman plumber;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor, City Council, and City Management of the City of Troy, does hereby join with the citizens of Troy, to express sincere congratulations to **Lt. Tom O'Herron** on the occasion of being chosen **2022 Firefighter of the Year** by the Troy Fire Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council commends and thanks **Lt. Tom O'Herron** for his achievement, leadership and dedicated service to the citizens of Troy.

Presented this 13th day of March 2023.