

**Saluting the Spokane Fire Department and recognizing the firefighters who supported the state of Washington in the 2015 wildfires**

WHEREAS, from the beginning of June, more than one million acres in Washington was affected by wildfire; and

WHEREAS, fifty-nine of the wildfires in Washington were considered large fires which impact more than one hundred acres of timber or three hundred acres of brush or grass each; and

WHEREAS, during peak fire season, more than eleven thousand firefighters and support personnel were actively working the wildfires across the Pacific Northwest; and

WHEREAS, Spokane Fire Department Firefighters spent more than four thousand hours working these wildfires on behalf of the City of Spokane and the state of Washington:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Spokane City Council that we hereby salute the **Spokane Fire Department** and the following firefighters for their incredible support of the state wildfire incidents on behalf of the City of Spokane:

Garin Andrews  
Kasey Austin  
James Billman  
David Buechler  
Douglas Dodson  
Jason Donahue  
Micah Edwards  
Robert Ellis  
Duane Flaget  
Justin Freeman

Steven Jones  
Douglas Kelley  
Jerald Lease  
Charles Lester  
James McNamee  
Jeremy Mulvey  
William Newman  
Paul Peterson  
Russell Reser  
Brian Schaeffer

James Schaffer  
Galen Grooms  
Fred Schoenfeld  
Robert Smith  
Michael St Amand  
Brian Underhill  
Michael Vaughan  
Lee Venning  
Nicholas Wilson

I, Ben Stuckart, Spokane City Council President,  
do hereunto set my hand and  
cause the seal of the City of Spokane  
to be affixed this 9th day of November in 2015



Ben Stuckart  
Spokane City Council President