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Brad Miyake City Manager Bellevue Fire Department Bellevue, WA

Dear Mr. Miyake:

On behalf of the Commission on Professional Credentialing (CPC), I am writing to inform you that Jerome Hagen received the Chief Fire Officer (CFO) designation on February 5, 2019. Fire Chief Hagen becomes one of only 1,344 CFO designees 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 CFO designation program uses a comprehensive peer review model to evaluate candidates seeking the credential. The Commission on Professional Credentialing awards the designation only after an individual successfully meets all of the organization's stringent criteria.

Achieving this designation signifies Fire Chief Hagen's commitment to his/her career in the fire and emergency services.

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.

Please join us in congratulating Fire Chief Hagen on this achievement.

For further information, please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>dsobotka@cpse.org</u> or 703-691-4620, ext. 202.

Sincerely,

Debbie Sobotka CPSE Deputy Director CPC Program Director