

# The City of Richmond Heights Resolution

RESOLUTION NO.: 36 -2019

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche, Council President Cotton-Henry, and  
Councilmembers Alexander, Lewis, Lentine, Kumin, Hurst and Ursu

## *A Resolution of Appreciation and Congratulations to Fire Lieutenant Michael John Libens for Over 27 Years of Dedicated Service to Richmond Heights*

**WHEREAS**, Lieutenant Michael John Libens, a native of the Greater Cleveland area, became a fulltime firefighter/paramedic with the City of Richmond Heights in 1991, was promoted to lieutenant in 1999, and now after over 27 years of dedicated and exemplary service to the City of Richmond Heights has accepted a promotion to become the Assistant Fire Chief for Mayfield Village, Ohio;

**WHEREAS**, Lt. Libens obtained an Associate's degree in fire science from Lakeland Community College, a Bachelor's degree in general studies (leadership) and a Master's degree in public administration from Kent State University, graduated from the National Fire Academy's Executive Officer Program and is published through that organization;

**WHEREAS**, during his over 27 years of service, Lt. Libens made a positive difference in countless lives, both in the City of Richmond Heights and in the region;

**WHEREAS**, Lt. Libens regularly served as Acting Fire Chief throughout his tenure, was instrumental in regionalizing emergency dispatch services for the City, was a member of the Hillcrest Regional Fire Investigation Strike Force, and was Chair of the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Committee;

**WHEREAS**, Lt. Libens is the husband of his beloved wife, Winnie Lane, and father of two; and

**WHEREAS**, Lt. Libens has exhibited such dedication in his public service that Mayor David H. Roche and this Council desire to recognize him for his service to the City and to the community at large;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: Mayor David H. Roche and this Council, on behalf of the City of Richmond Heights, its officers, employees, and citizens, express their most sincere appreciation, praise, and congratulations to Lieutenant Michael John Libens upon his retirement after 27 years of dedicated and exemplary service to the Division of Fire, recognize the time and energy devoted to serving the community, and wish him all the best in his continued public safety service.

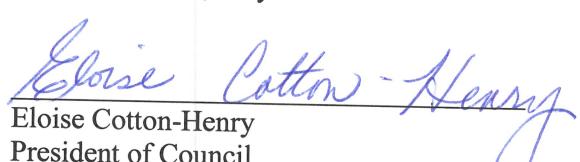
Section 2: The Clerk of Council is directed to forward an original of this Resolution to Lieutenant Michael John Libens.

Section 3: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: April 9, 2019

  
David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: April 9, 2019

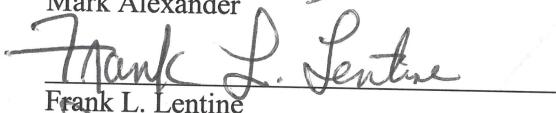
  
Eloise Cotton-Henry  
President of Council

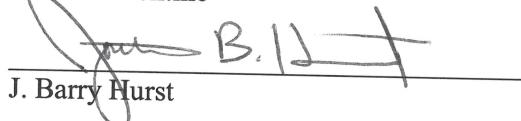
ATTEST: Betsy Traben

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Clerk of Council

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