

Resolution 26-

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE OF FIRE CHIEF PATRICK VOLTAIRE

WHEREAS, Chief Pat Voltaire began his career as a Fire EMT in March of 2000; and

WHEREAS, since that time he has advanced through the ranks, holding the positions of Fire EMT, Fire Medic, Lieutenant Medic, District Chief, Assistant Chief of Fire Operations, and Fire Chief; and

WHEREAS, Chief Voltaire's service has spanned across the entire county including Stations 63, 89, 47, 88, 22, 64, 47, 45, 80, and finally countywide; and

WHEREAS, in addition to Pat's immense practical experience, he has also attained impressive educational credentials including a Master of Public Administration and an Associate of Fire Science, along with graduating from the Brevard County Executive Leadership Institute; and

WHEREAS, the combination of his education and experience have allowed for outstanding achievements, such as launching the County's first BCFR Marine Program, creating the comprehensive Technical Rescue Team, improving the Sponsorship program for more effective hiring and recruitment of local talent, upgrading BCFR from ISO Class 4 to ISO Class 3, and securing auto aid agreements with every municipality in the County; and

WHEREAS, Chief Voltaire has also led the county's response to over one hundred fires and mutual aid incidents in a command role; and

WHEREAS, Pat has been extremely valuable to numerous commissioners as they develop their understanding of BCFR and the role the commission can play in helping the department to thrive; and

WHEREAS, Chief Voltaire has decided to retire in July of 2026; and

WHEREAS, Pat's intelligence, compassion, humor, institutional knowledge, pragmatism, and leadership will be sorely missed both by BCFR and by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board agrees with Public Safety Director Matt Wallace, in saying that Chief Voltaire lived up to his leadership philosophy of "Be a good human" every day and with every decision that he made; and

WHEREAS, Pat managed to lead a thriving professional life while also keeping his family first; and

WHEREAS, he has always demonstrated an unwavering dedication to his wife Allie, and has never failed to support and be present for his children, Gabrielle and Ryder, in their education, extracurricular activities, and personal lives; and

WHEREAS, excelling personally and professionally is no small feat and Chief Voltaire's ability to do both clearly shows why he is such an exceptional individual.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners is thankful for the service of Chief Patrick Voltaire and readily acknowledges that Brevard County is a safer and better place because of his years of diligent and dedicated service.

DONE, ORDERED, AND ADOPTED, in regular session, this 19th day of May 2026.

ATTEST:

RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK
BREVARD COUNTY, FL

THAD ALTMAN, CHAIR
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS