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Press Release

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Firefighter Damien Sorrells Honored

NEWNAN, December 14, 2022 – Mayor Brady has issued a proclamation declaring Newnan Fire Department Radio #1264 as Firefighter Damien Sorrells' radio number. Henceforth it will no longer be used by the City of Newnan Fire Department. Sorrells, 44, passed on October 11, 2022.

The proclamation from Mayor Brady was presented to Sorrells' wife, Tiffany Sorrells. Firefighter Sorrells joined the City of Newnan Fire Department in 2016. In addition to many lifesaving and teamwork awards, he was awarded the 2021 Firefighter of the Year award. He also received the Ronnie Thames Foundation Silent Hero Award in 2020.

Newnan Fire Chief Stephen Brown stated, "The loss of Damien is still felt deeply by everyone who knew him. Retiring his number is a fitting tribute to a brave man who not only served our community, but was always there for his friends and family."

Proclamation

*The City of Newnan, Georgia
Office of the Mayor*

Firefighter Damien Sorrells Radio Number to Retire

- WHEREAS,** Damien Sorrells was born on June 25, 1978 in Atlanta and was raised in College Park, Georgia where he graduated from Westlake High School; and
- WHEREAS,** in 2008 he joined the Fire service, working for Peachtree City, City of Fayetteville, Coweta County, Chattahoochee Hills and in 2016 joined the City of Newnan Fire Department; and
- WHEREAS,** on November 21, 2015 he married Tiffany Sorrells and shared a blended family with Brian, Briana, LaQuan, Amaiya and Christian; and
- WHEREAS,** he was a devoted member of St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church in East Point, Georgia and a proud member of Class #7 Sunday School; and
- WHEREAS,** in addition to many lifesaving and teamwork awards, he most recently was named Firefighter of the Year in 2021 and in 2020 received the Ronnie Thames Foundation Silent Hero Award; and
- WHEREAS,** the loss of Firefighter Sorrells has been profound and to honor him and recognize his years of dedication and service to the citizens of Newnan, his Radio #1264 will be retired by the Newnan Fire Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Keith Brady, Mayor of the City of Newnan, Georgia, do hereby proclaim Newnan Fire Department Radio #1264 as Firefighter Damien Sorrells radio number and encourage the citizens of Newnan to celebrate this brave and generous man.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Newnan to be affixed.





Mayor

November 29, 2022

Date



Attest