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## **Needham Welcomes Tom Conroy as New Fire Chief**

NEEDHAM – Wednesday, July 27, 2022 – Tom Conroy has been sworn in as the Town of Needham's new fire chief. Conroy succeeds Dennis Condon, who retired earlier this month after 34 years with the Town.

Conroy is a longtime member of the Needham fire services, having joined the department as a firefighter in 1993. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 1998 before assuming the role of Deputy Fire Chief in 2007. In that position, Conroy managed operations of both Needham Fire Stations and provided training and supervision of staff including officers, firefighters, emergency responders, administration, and dispatch.

"I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve the Town of Needham and incredibly excited and honored to lead the Needham Fire Department," Conroy said. "The world of firefighting is constantly evolving and changing and I'm looking forward to working with our team to make sure they are well-trained and ready to respond to the challenges they face every day in order to keep this community – and themselves – safe."

"We're all very proud to have Tom as our new Fire Chief," said Marianne Cooley, chair of the Select Board. "He has the experience, skills, enthusiasm, and leadership capabilities that are necessary to deliver the kind of services and protection the community deserves. The Needham Fire Department is lucky to have him and we're all wishing him the very best as he embarks on this new role."

Conroy lives in Franklin with his wife Melissa. The couple have four daughters: Kelsey, Ashley, Emily and Lindsey.