

FIRE CHIEF RICKY SPENCER



“Everyone Goes Home Safe”

- WHEREAS,** In 1975, Ricky Spencer was accepted as a member of the Roswell Fire Department where he rose up through the ranks from Firefighter to Lieutenant, Captain, Assistant Chief and the highest distinction as Fire Chief; and
- WHEREAS,** In 2004, Ricky Spencer was appointed as the Roswell Fire Chief after retiring from the Fulton County Fire Department with 23 years of dedicated service; and
- WHEREAS,** Chief Spencer has remained a strong supporter of the standardization of a fleet of fire apparatus that is second to none with ten new apparatus replacing an aging fleet of Fire Engines, Ladder Trucks, Rescue Trucks and specialty apparatus for a quick and dependable response to the scenes of all emergencies. In 2012, Ricky Spencer was instrumental in the coordination of a donation of a surplus Roswell Fire Engine to a hurricane stricken town in Island Park, New York, a Volunteer Fire Department, that lost everything to hurricane Sandy - *a proud personal accomplishment in Chief Spencer's career*; and
- WHEREAS,** In 2006, Chief Spencer was successful with lowering the ISO rating in Roswell from a Class 4 to a Class 3, which saves the homeowners and business owners of Roswell money on their insurance rates; and
- WHEREAS,** In 2013, Ricky was named Georgia State Fire Chief of the Year by the Georgia Fire Chiefs Association; received the Liberty Mutual Fire Mark Award for the State of Georgia and also was a nominee for the National Fire Mark Award. Ricky has continued to place Roswell Fire Department and their firefighters as one of the leading and most progressive Fire Departments in the State; and
- WHEREAS,** Chief Spencer has served all of the citizens of Roswell with distinction, fairness and honor and has always strived to give the very best Fire and EMS services to the citizens of Roswell; and
- WHEREAS,** On September 2, 2014, Ricky Spencer will retire after 39 years of Fire/EMS service and plans to enjoy his retirement by spending quality time fishing and hunting. Chief Spencer will also continue to support the City of Roswell and the Roswell Fire Department and all those who serve and protect our Roswell citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR JERE WOOD, do hereby proclaim September 2, 2014 as Chief Ricky Spencer Day and ask all of our citizens and our City of Roswell Fire Department to join in honoring and recognizing Chief Spencer for his commendable career and congratulate him on a well-deserved retirement.

*In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 25th day of August, 2014.*

MAYOR JERE WOOD