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HARTFORD FIRE CHIEF TO RETIRE
MAYOR CONGRATULATES SON OF HARTFORD ON PUBLIC SERVICE

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(November 20, 2009)--- Mayor Eddie A. Perez congratulates Hartford Fire Chief Charles A. Teale, Sr. on his dedication to public service. The Chief has announced that after almost three decades with the HFD, almost 10 of them as Chief, he has decided to retire, effective April of 2010.

“Chief Teale is an outstanding role model and an excellent example of homegrown talent. This Hometown Hero has demonstrated strong leadership of our nationally ranked and recognized Fire Department. His ability to command this brave group of men and women goes beyond public safety. The Chief is a true historian and student of his craft. He passionately understands and respects Hartford’s role in the evolution of Homeland Security. We salute his years of service and wish him all the best in his future pursuits,” said Mayor Perez.

“I would like to thank everyone who made this opportunity to serve possible. Since 1789, there have been only 35 people to serve in my capacity. Only 5 have done so for 10 years or more. I am truly humbled by this experience and am grateful to have served my City and its proud residents,” said Chief Teale.