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**Western Coventry Fire District
1110 Victory Highway
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(GREENE, RI) The Board of Directors of the Western Coventry Fire District is pleased to announce that James Cady of 2206 Flat River Road, Coventry, RI has been appointed to the position of the first full-time Chief of the District's fire and rescue department. Chief Cady's interest in the fire and rescue service began with serving as a volunteer in 1974. As a volunteer for the following eighteen years, he achieved the ranks of Lieutenant and Rescue Captain while earning an engineering degree at the University of Rhode Island. After ten years of employment with Electric Boat, he decided to return to his true passion of being professionally involved in the fire and rescue service. In 1992 he joined the Central Coventry Fire District as a career full-time firefighter where he rose through the ranks of Lieutenant, Captain and lastly, Battalion Chief. Chief Cady was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Fire Science by Columbia Southern University in 2014. His many years of service have resulted in an impressive list of certifications. Beyond being a certified firefighter and EMT-cadiac at advanced levels, Chief Cady is certified to be a NFPA Fire Inspector and RI EMS Instructor Coordinator. He is qualified to provide instruction and coordinate instruction in these and many other skills associated with providing emergency service and has been called upon to do so for his fellow responders in the community. As a battalion chief, Chief Cady has experience in motivating and managing department personnel.

Chief Cady has been a long time resident of Coventry. He is a graduate of Coventry High School. His son Andrew is a Providence firefighter and his daughter Jaclyn is looking forward to a career in teaching.

For all of Chief Cady's qualifications and experience, the Western Coventry Fire District Board of Directors is confident that it has made the right choice in selecting James Cady as the first full-time Chief of the Western Coventry Fire District's Fire and Rescue Department.

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