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**City of Forest Hill Appoints New Fire Chief**

[Forest Hill, TX – August 18, 2010] The Forest Hill City Council last night confirmed the appointment of Ed Henderson as Fire Chief for the community of more than 13,000.

Mr. Henderson had been employed with the City of Mansfield as Assistant Fire Chief/Fire Marshall since June, 2003. Before joining the Mansfield department, he worked as a Lieutenant/Assistant Fire Marshall with the City of Lubbock for 25 years. He had previously been employed with Texas Instruments, South Plains College and the Texas Housing Authority in Lubbock. Mr. Henderson was also a Sergeant in the United States Air Force for four years.

Chief Henderson received his Bachelor of Science degree from Wayland Baptist University and his Associate of Arts degree from South Plains College. Both schools are located in Lubbock.

Mr. Henderson prides himself on his community involvement, especially with youth. "We look forward Chief Henderson spending many years here in the City of Forest Hill protecting our citizens," said city manager Sheyi Ipaye. "He brings years of experience to the position and a passion for our community" he added.

Chief Henderson is married and has one son and two daughters. He was sworn in by Judge Glenn Lewis.

***About the City of Forest Hill***

The City of Forest Hill was incorporated in 1946. It is home to more than 13,000 residents and over 300 businesses. It is located in southeast Tarrant County. In 2010, Forest Hill was named the 10<sup>th</sup> fastest growing city in Tarrant County by the *Fort Worth Business Press*.

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