

**Service Commendation**  
**JOE LAGARDE**

**WHEREAS, Joe LaGarde** began his career with the City of Troy on July 17, 1976 as a part-time Weekend Mechanic. On November 15, 1978 he was hired full-time as MSE-D Equipment Serviceman; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Troy is honored to have had **Joe** as an employee for 35 years. He was promoted to MSE-F Trade Specialist I on December 3, 1984 and once again promoted to MSE-G Trade Specialist II on November 3, 1986; and

**WHEREAS, Joe** was promoted 10/28/00 to Field Supervisor on October 28, 2000 where he has served until his retirement with the utmost dedication and loyalty. **Joe's** expertise is in welding and fabricating tools and automotive parts. He always stepped up to every challenge within the Fleet Division, fully researching the situations to come up with workable, cost efficient solutions; and

**WHEREAS, Joe's** dedication to the City of Troy has been outstanding both with the Fleet Division and as a volunteer Firefighter at Station 6 since 1996; and

**WHEREAS Joe retired from the City of Troy on June 30, 2011 after more than 35 years of dedicated service; and**

**WHEREAS, Joe** will now enjoy more time with his wife of 31 years **Cindy**; son **Joe** (also a Troy Firefighter), daughter-in-law **Stephanie** and grandson **Brandon**; sons **Ed** and **Nick**; daughter **Jennifer**, son-in-law **Ben** and grandson **Benjamin**; as well as find time for camping, 4x4 off roading, working on restoring classic cars, and driving his own classic 1970 Chevelle SS;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN,** That the City Council of the City of Troy takes this opportunity to express its appreciation to **Joe LaGarde** for his many contributions to the betterment of the City; and

**BE IT FURTHER KNOWN** That the City Council of the City of Troy, on behalf of themselves, City management, and the citizens of the City of Troy, extends wishes of prosperity, good health and happiness to **Joe** during his retirement years.

Presented the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2011.