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## SHENANDOAH COUNTY ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF OF FIRE AND RESCUE

*Woodstock, Virginia* – Following a nationwide recruitment for a successor to recently retired Chief Tim Williams, Shenandoah County announces the appointment of Mr. Steven Hall, Jr., as the County’s next system-wide Chief of Fire and Rescue.

Chief Hall joins Shenandoah County following a 25-year career with the City of Richmond Fire and Emergency Services. Chief Hall rose through the ranks within the City of Richmond Fire and Emergency Services, retiring in July 2025 as Assistant Fire Chief.

Chief Hall holds both a Bachelor of Applied Studies in Human Resource Management and a Master of Human Resource Management from the University of Richmond. Chief Hall also possesses advanced fire service credentials, including Executive Fire Officer (EFO) and Chief Fire Officer (CFO).

Chief Hall currently serves as a Vice President At-Large of the Virginia Fire Chiefs Association (VFCA).

In his role, Chief Hall will provide system-wide fire and rescue oversight comprised of approximately 100 career and 450 volunteer fire and rescue personnel serving the emergency needs of the 45,000 residents of Shenandoah County as well as countless visitors and businesses.

“I grew up in rural Hanover County, Virginia, where I was first introduced to fire and rescue service as a volunteer. While I have served a large metropolitan fire and emergency service department for



my professional career, a community like Shenandoah County is exactly where I want to be,” said Hall.

Chief Hall was selected from a highly qualified group of candidates following a search process earlier this year. A panel comprised of volunteer, career, elected and appointed leadership helped guide the selection process.

“Chief Hall is an accomplished and proven leader who will be an exceptional addition to our executive leadership team and to the Fire and Rescue system. During listening sessions with career and volunteer providers and leaders this summer, it was reaffirmed that our system is comprised of truly outstanding people. Their excellent work to date, combined with Chief Hall’s experience and leadership, will enable us to continue building on our successes,” said Evan Vass, County Administrator.

Chief Hall will assume his duties effective November 3, 2025.

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