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Dan Azzariti, Fire Chief
Appointed to Serve on Florida League of Cities
2017-2018 Legislative Policy Committee

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The Florida League of Cities has appointed Plant City's Fire Chief, Dan Azzariti, to serve on the 2017-2018 Finance, Taxation & Personnel Policy Committee.

"Municipal officials are the driving force behind the League's legislative success. In addition to setting the legislative priorities, the League's policy committee members help to provide League staff with a better understanding of the real world implications of proposed legislation," said Florida League of Cities Legislative Director Scott Dudley. "We appreciate their willingness to serve, as there is a significant commitment of time and energy that goes into developing a policy direction for our legislative efforts."

Chief Azzariti has over 42 years of fire and emergency service experience. He has served in numerous positions throughout his career from Firefighter to Fire Chief in both volunteer and career fire departments. He served the City of New Port Richey with distinction for more than 30 years retiring as the Director of Fire and Emergency Services. After a short retirement, Chief Azzariti reentered the public safety field and served as the Deputy Fire Chief for Marion County Fire Rescue prior to coming to Plant City. Currently, Chief Azzariti serves as the President of the Florida Fire Chiefs' Association, where, during his tenure, he has held many leadership positions as well as chairing multiple committees/sections including the Audit, Budget and Finance Committee, the Government Relations Committee, the EMS Section and the Fire Service Instructors Section. Also, he is the immediate past President of the Association of Emergency Medical Services Providers of Florida. Due to Chief Azzariti's passion and commitment to the delivery of prehospital emergency care, he is recognized as a leader in the field and has been awarded the Al Ridgeway Award for Administrative Excellence in EMS, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Florida Department of Health, Bureau of EMS, was inducted into the Larry S Jordan EMS Hall of Fame, and was presented the Mark Fingerett EMS Administrator of the year award from the Florida Association of County EMS.

Legislative Policy Committee chairs, vice-chairs and members are appointed annually by the League president. Any city official is eligible to serve on a Policy Committee, and appointments are typically based upon a city official's support and advocacy of the League's adopted Legislative Action Agenda, participation at meetings, Legislative Action Day and other legislative-related activities.

For more information on the Florida League of Cities' Legislative Policy Development Process, please visit <http://www.floridaleagueofcities.com/advocacy/policy-committees>.

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