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**PRESS RELEASE**

## **Wylie Fire Chief Completes Executive Program**

**Wylie, Texas, Oct. 4, 2018** – Wylie Fire Chief Brent Parker has successfully completed the Executive Fire Officer Program, presented by the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s U.S. Fire Administration’s National Fire Academy.

“The intensive EFOP is designed to provide senior fire officers with a broad perspective on various facets of fire administration,” said U.S. Fire Administrator G. Keith Bryant. “This program provides executive fire service officers with the expertise they need to succeed in today’s challenging environment.”

The training included four courses, all of which required a written Applied Research Project that demonstrated application of course theory and concepts to real-life situations within the participant’s own organization. Each project was evaluated through a formal process, and progression through the program was contingent on achieving each of these milestones.

The four courses were Executive Development, Executive Analysis of Community Risk Reduction, Executive Analysis of Fire Service Operations in Emergency Management, and Executive Leadership.

“I’m grateful for the opportunity to expand my knowledge of fire service and fire administration in order to better serve the Wylie community,” Parker said. “I’d like to express my appreciation to Mayor Eric Hogue, the Wylie City Council, and City Manager Mindy Manson for supporting my continued training and education.”

Parker assumed the role of fire chief in Wylie in 2014 after having been a member of WFR since 2001. He holds a Bachelor of Science in business administration with a minor in human resource management from Columbia Southern University and a Master of Science in fire and emergency management administration from Oklahoma State University. He is also a graduate of the Texas Fire Chiefs Academy and of Wylie High School.

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About Wylie Fire Rescue – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 48,000) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the State of Texas with a 220-percent increase since 2000. Wylie Fire Rescue is one of only 13 departments in the state and 56 in the country with the top Public Protection Classification, ISO-1, given by the Insurance Services Office. The PPC rating is used to measure the quality and effectiveness of fire protection in a community.