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## CAREER FIREFIGHTERS WELCOME NEW EMERGENCY SERVICES AGENCY COMMISSIONER

On behalf of all ACT Fire and Rescue Firefighters, the United Firefighters Union – ACT Branch welcomes the appointment of the new ACT Emergency Services Commissioner, Wayne Phillips.

As a 32-year veteran of NSW Fire and Rescue, Commissioner Phillips comes to the role with excellent experience in emergency services operations and an in-depth knowledge of firefighting.

Having walked in their boots, we are confident that Commissioner Phillips will bring an exceptional level of understanding to the issues and challenges career firefighters in the ACT face every day, and we look forward to working co-operatively with him and the ACT Emergency Services Agency to deliver an even better fire and rescue service for the people of the ACT.

Commissioner Philips will also assist in enhancing the leadership of ACT Fire and Rescue through his ability to draw on his direct leadership experience and provide support and mentorship to its senior officers.

ACT UFU Secretary Greg McConville is available for interview and comment on 0488 000 465.

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