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Alder Jorge Perez, President  
New Haven Board of Alders  
165 Church Street  
New Haven, CT 06510

Dear President Perez:

I am writing to submit an Ordinance Amending the City's General Fund Budget for FY14-15 to eliminate ten vacant, budgeted Fire Lieutenant positions.

After careful review with Aldermanic leadership and Fire Department leadership it has been determined that these positions are not needed to meet the operational needs of the Department. It has further been determined that elimination of these positions will not impact the Department's compliance with minimum manning requirements set forth in the bargaining agreement with Local 825 or have any effect on the current level of public safety response.

Currently Fire Lieutenant positions are budgeted at a salary of \$79,574 each. Elimination of these ten vacant positions will result in a FY 14-15 budget reduction of \$795,740.

I urge the Board of Alders to give this request favorable consideration and am available to respond to any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Michael Carter  
Chief Administrative Officer