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## NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## Ventura Regional Fire Academy graduates take one step closer to their calling New trainees showcase skills at a public demonstration event

CAMARILLO, Calif. – This week, 24 firefighter trainees will receive badges, marking the end of an intensive 18-week academy. As part of graduation activities, the 55th academy will host a public demonstration on Friday, July 20, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at the Regional Training Center, located on the grounds of the

Camarillo Airport at 104 E. Durley Ave.

Recruits will showcase some of the skills learned in the academy in front of an audience of dignitaries, firefighters, friends and family. Live demonstrations include a simulated three-story structure fire, ladder evolutions, patient extrication from a simulated vehicle accident and more.

Ventura County Fire will welcome 20 new firefighters and four recruits will join the City of Ventura Fire Department.

Congratulations to the members of the 55th Ventura Regional Fire Academy, including:

Ryan Anderson
Julian August
Nathan Bermudez
Emmanuel Briceno – Ventura City
Nyles Burch
Jaime Calderon
Daniel Coates
Shawn Cricca
Colton Gabrielson
Christopher Gaskins
Ryan Hubbard
Tyler Hurst



Ryan Jaeger
Michael Katan
James Kenney –Ventura City
Thomas Luna – Ventura City
Kyle Lundgren
Christopher Mercer
Ryan Royston – Ventura City
Kristopher Russell
Andrew Scott
Cole Weaver
Spencer White
Kyle Williams

A private graduation ceremony will follow on Friday, July 20, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center at Rancho Campana High School, located at 4235 Mar Vista Drive in Camarillo (NOTE: This event is private and NOT open to public). For more information, contact VCFD PIO at (805) 389-9769 or PIOFire@ventura.org.