

Dear Region 9 Members,

My name is Michael Covert, and I am honored to announce my candidacy for the position of Secretary of IAEM Region 9. I am deeply committed to advancing our profession, supporting our members, and strengthening the network that makes Region 9 a leader in emergency management.

I have had the privilege of volunteering as Secretary during the tail end of the current term, and I hope to continue building on the goals and momentum we have set for the region with a focus on stronger communication, organized recordkeeping, and collaborative leadership.

If elected, I plan to:

- Enhance recordkeeping to support Region 9's leadership and membership;
- Strengthen communication channels to keep members informed and connected;
- Support regional initiatives that engage and inspire future members; and
- Uphold the values and mission of IAEM through responsive and organized service.

I respectfully ask for your support and your vote. I look forward to the opportunity to continue serving Region 9 and contributing to our shared mission of building resilient communities.

Sincerely,

Michael Covert