

I'm excited to announce my candidacy for IAEM-USA Region 8 Vice President and to share my vision for what we can achieve together. As a long-time member of IAEM and a dedicated emergency management professional, I bring both passion and experience to this role—along with a deep commitment to the advancement of our field and the success of every member in our region.

Over the years, I've had the privilege of serving IAEM in various leadership and committee roles. I've been actively involved in the Emerging Technology Caucus, Conference, Membership, and Diversity Committees. Within these groups, I've held roles such as Outreach/Membership Coordinator, newsletter editor, and the Co-Vice Chair of the Conference Committee. These experiences have given me a well-rounded understanding of how IAEM functions—and more importantly, how it can grow.

### **My Priorities if Elected:**

- **Enhancing member engagement** through more accessible networking, mentorship, and training opportunities.
- **Amplifying regional voices** at the national level, ensuring our unique challenges and innovations are heard and valued.
- **Supporting professional development** by promoting credentialing, sharing best practices, and identifying opportunities for members to lead and grow.
- **Fostering inclusion and representation**, ensuring that all voices—regardless of background, discipline, or jurisdiction—are reflected in our regional efforts.

I believe our region is full of incredible potential, and I'm eager to help amplify the voices of our members, foster professional development, and build a stronger, more visible emergency management profession. Thank you for your time, your service to our profession, and your support.

Sincerely,



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