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Dear Members,

The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) and IAEM Canada share the same values; to advance the profession by promoting the principles of emergency management; to serve its members by providing information, networking and professional development opportunities; and to advance the emergency management profession.

IAEM Canada takes these values seriously and promotes each one on the behalf of all our members.

The creation of geographical Regions across our nation is one way that IAEM Canada can adhere to these values by reducing the span of information flow across the country and represent regional emergency management considerations at the national level.

The province of Ontario consists of one of largest numbers of IAEM Canada members and delivers one of the highest numbers of Emergency Managers in the country. The development of IAEM Canada Ontario Region is a great stride forward in the advancement of the emergency management profession recognition in Canada. At the request of IAEM Ontario members, IAEM Canada, in compliance with its Bylaws and Association Policies and Procedures, has undertaken to:

- Inform all IAEM Ontario members of the request;
- Ensure the IAEM Ontario Terms of Reference is drafted;
- Identify preliminary nominees for the IAEM Ontario Board;
- Create the Ontario Region webpage and voting page for nominees.

IAEM Canada will continue to support all established Regions and existing provincial entities as we have done in the past as this only serves to enhance our cooperative and constructive approach to enhance resilience at a local, regional, and national level.

By partnering with provincial, federal and global entities through IAEM and IAEM Canada, the Ontario Region will bring a strong and respected voice to the profession while fostering improvement in the professional standards for our great nation.

We appreciate the overwhelming support to move forward with the IAEM Canada Ontario Region and look forward to working with the new Ontario Region Board in the very near future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gregory W Solecki', is positioned above the typed name.

Gregory W Solecki CEM

President IAEM Canada

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