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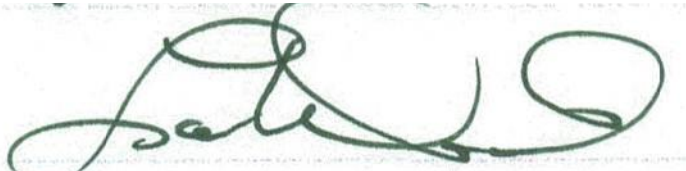

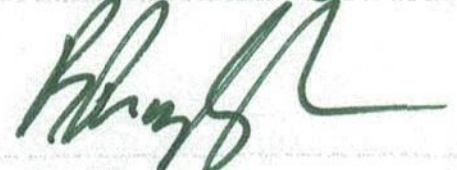




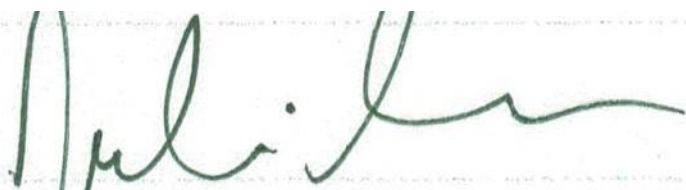


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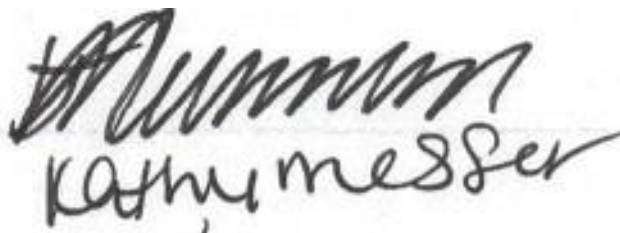


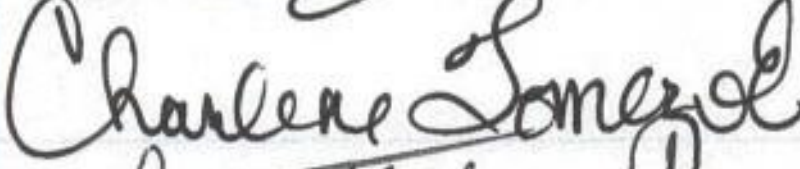
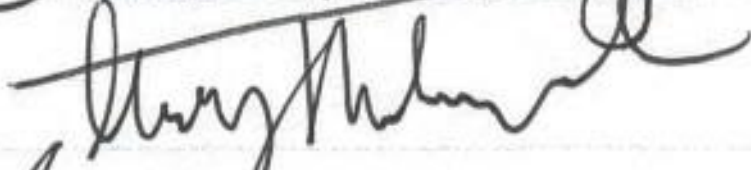

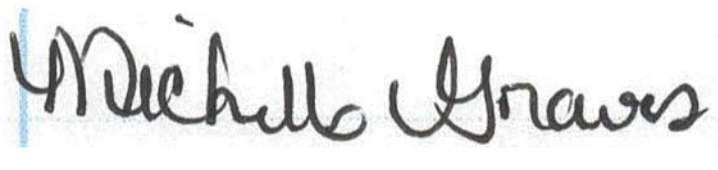


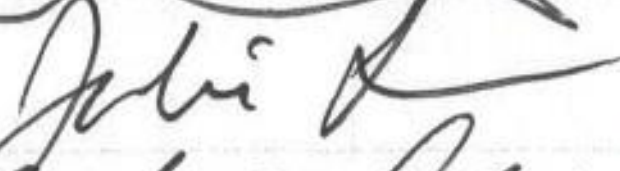
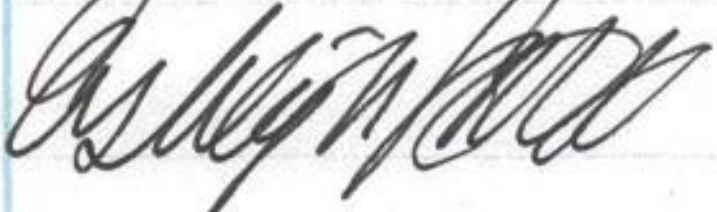

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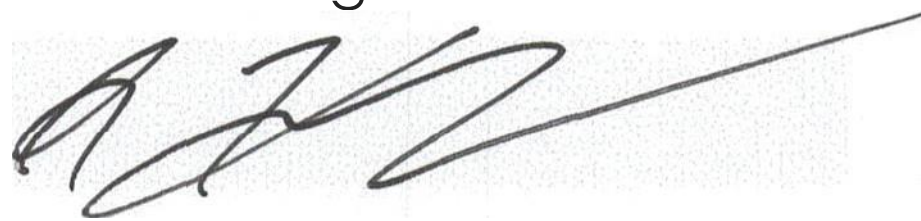
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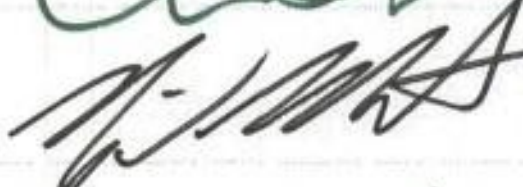

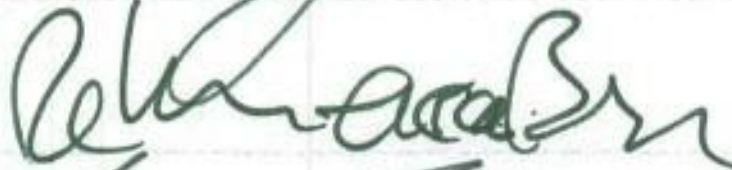

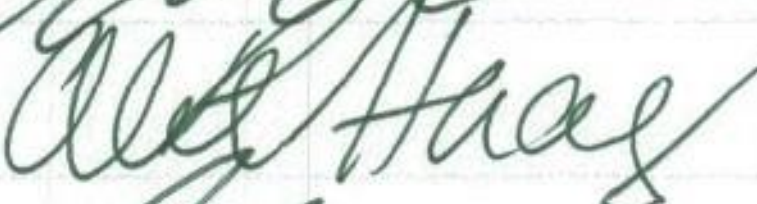


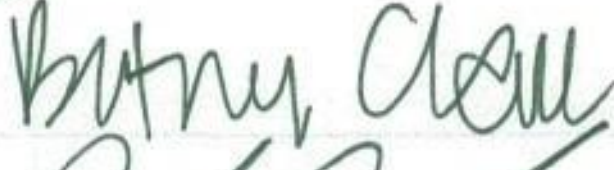



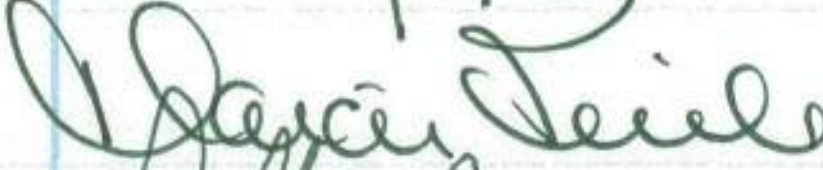




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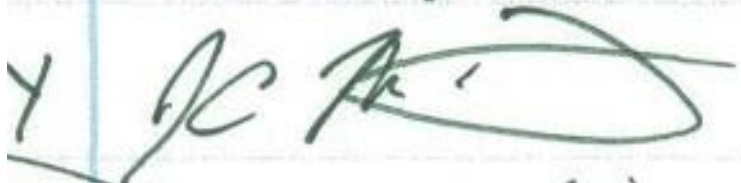




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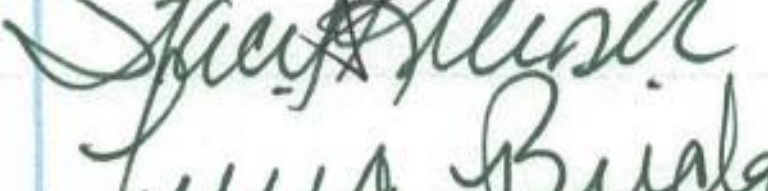
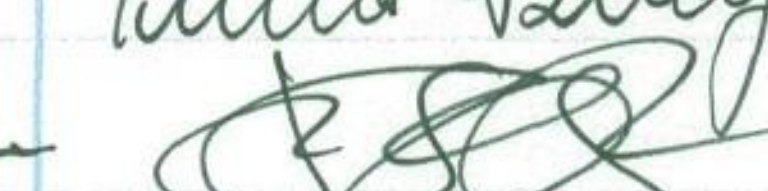






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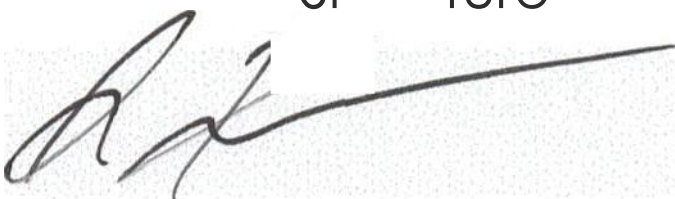
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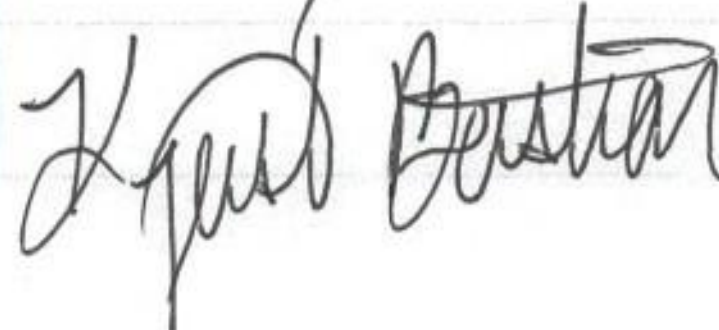
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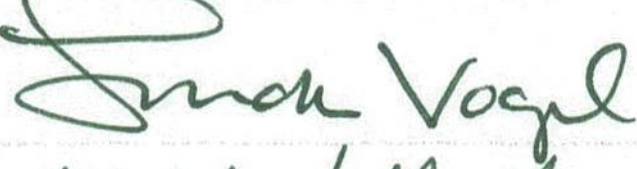
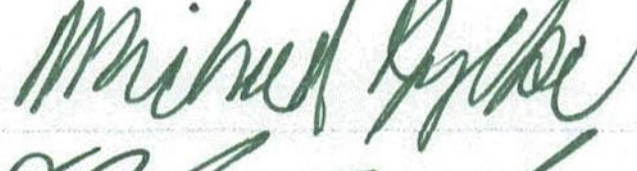

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

On behalf of Allina Health Emergency Medical Services (EMS), I am pleased to support the creation of the Minnesota Line of Duty Death Memorial proposed by the Minnesota EMS Memorial Foundation.

Allina Health Emergency Medical Services has proudly served communities across Minnesota for the past 104 years and is honored to employ more than 700 EMS staff, providing lifesaving services across communities in Minnesota. Our EMS professionals show up each day to provide care and compassion to those who are experiencing an emergency. In Minnesota, someone calls 911 for a medical emergency every 42 seconds and in responding to the needs of our communities, it is a stark reality that dangerous situations may arise.

EMS in the United States developed from the 1966 report, "Accidental Death and Disability: The Neglected Disease of Modern Society." Prior to that, there may have been a patchwork, informal infrastructure of community that provided a ride to the hospital, such as staffed by a police officer, a firefighter or even the local funeral home. Our history traces back to the Martin Livery service in St. Paul. While a younger profession compared to our public safety partners in law enforcement and fire protection, EMS is here to provide a vital service to the citizens of Minnesota by bringing medical care to where the emergency occurs, on the streets, to their workplace or home.

Our EMS colleagues who lost their lives in the line of duty should be honored with a memorial as it is a powerful symbol, a place to honor and remember for surviving families, friends, and colleagues. The memorial and this letter of support is timely as we come upon the 50th Anniversary of EMS Week, with the theme of "Honoring our Past. Forging our Future."

We want to forge the future for EMS providers within Minnesota to be recognized for their service and this memorial is the start. Thank you for your support of this important memorial site.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan Long".

Susan Long
Allina Health EMS President



American Legion Department of Minnesota

It's time for an EMS memorial at the Capitol

Attributable to Minnesota Commander Paul Hassing

July 8, 2024

The American Legion Department of Minnesota supports a memorial for the campus of the Minnesota State Capitol that commemorates line-of-duty deaths for paramedics and emergency medical technicians.

Members of The American Legion, at each meeting, recite the Preamble to the American Legion Constitution. The statement includes the phrase “to maintain law and order.” The phrase very much includes emergency medical personnel. They put their lives on the line when racing to an emergency, treating wounded along a busy highway, being around contagious diseases, being near crime and gunfire, experiencing fires, becoming the target of attacks and dealing with the physical demands of lifting and carrying patients.



We haven't even mentioned the emotional toll of making life-or-death decisions. These selfless workers encounter people often at the worst moments of their lives.

When we survey the memorials at the State Capitol, we see ones for veterans, for law enforcement and for firefighters. There is nothing for EMS. The American Legion supports the Hennepin County Association of Paramedics and EMTs (HCAPE) in its effort to create a Line of Duty Deaths memorial for the EMS community. We hope similar EMS organizations join in the effort. We encourage elected officials to support the memorial.

Thank you.

Paul Hassing is the commander of the Minnesota American Legion.



13 January 2025

Adam S. Harvey
President & Founder
MN State EMS LoDD Memorial Foundation
P.O. Box 141
Bock, MN 56313

On behalf of the Arrowhead EMS Association, I am honored to submit this letter in support of the Minnesota EMS Memorial Foundation's initiative to construct an EMS Line of Duty Death (LODD) Memorial on the Minnesota State Capitol grounds. This memorial will serve as a lasting tribute to the dedication, courage, and ultimate sacrifices of EMS professionals who have given their lives in service to their communities.

The Arrowhead EMS Association represents a network of emergency medical service providers across Northeast Minnesota, all of whom are committed to delivering life-saving care under challenging and often dangerous conditions. These individuals exemplify selflessness and professionalism in their work, responding to emergencies with skill, compassion, and bravery.

A memorial honoring our fallen colleagues is both a fitting and necessary tribute. It will provide a place of reflection and remembrance for families, friends, and fellow EMS professionals while serving as a powerful reminder of the risks inherent in this vital work. Additionally, this memorial underscores the respect and gratitude owed to those who dedicate their lives to the well-being of others.

We are deeply inspired by the mission of the Minnesota EMS Memorial Foundation and its motto, "Honoring the Sacrifice, Supporting the Legacy." This initiative aligns with the values we uphold at the Arrowhead EMS Association, and we believe it will foster greater awareness and appreciation for the contributions of EMS professionals across Minnesota.

The Arrowhead EMS Association is proud to endorse this project and urges the State of Minnesota to support the construction of this meaningful and enduring tribute. We extend our gratitude to the Foundation for their commitment to honoring and preserving the legacy of EMS personnel.

Thank you for your consideration of this important initiative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "AS", is placed above the printed name of the signatory.

Adam Shadiow
Executive Director
Arrowhead EMS Association





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To whom it may concern,

The Cleveland Association of Rescue Employees (CARE) supports the formation memorials to those EMS providers who have given their lives in the line of duty.

Across the United States, EMS providers selflessly provide emergency care and bring prehospital medicine to the public, saving thousands of lives each year. They work alongside other first responders; on the very same scenes as police officers and firefighters. Despite this, the tragic line-of-duty deaths of EMS providers often go unrecognized: There are no permanent memorials, no annual remembrance ceremonies. as there are for firefighters and police officers.

This has a demoralizing effect on the EMS workforce, as EMS providers feel that even in death they are undervalued and forgotten. To rectify this, we urge you to work towards establishing a memorial for those EMS providers who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

Mark Barrett,

President, Cleveland Association of Rescue Employees

mbarrett@care1975.com

To the State of Minnesota,

I am writing to share my heart and ask for your support in honoring the sacrifices of emergency medical service professionals by establishing an EMS Line of Duty Death (LODD) statue at the Minnesota State Capitol. My beloved wife, Deb Schott, was one of these incredible individuals, and her life—and loss—has left an indelible mark on so many.

Deb was everything to me, to our family, and to the countless people she cared for over the years. She became a nurse at just 19 years old, driven by a passion to help others. She was one of the first registered nurses in Minnesota authorized to perform paramedic work—a true trailblazer. Beyond her nursing career, she served as an EMT, worked with the sheriff's posse, volunteered with the Winsted Police Reserves, and gave endless hours to our community, including at the Winstock Music Festival.

She was more than her titles, though. She was my wife, a mother (and stepmother), a grandmother, a daughter, a sister, and a dear friend to so many. Her heart was immense, and her care for others knew no bounds.

On June 28, 2019, my world shattered. At just 58 years old, Deb's life was tragically cut short when the North Memorial Health Care helicopter she was working in crashed upon its return to base. Losing her was unbearable, and the hole left in my heart and our family's lives is one we can never fill. She gave everything to her work and her community, and in the end, she made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

I know I am not alone in this grief. So many families, friends, and communities have felt the pain of losing an EMS professional who put their life on the line to help others. That's why I believe an EMS LODD statue at the Capitol is so important. It would be a way to honor their bravery, their sacrifice, and their unwavering commitment to serving others—a way to say they are not forgotten.

For me and our family, it would be a tribute to Deb. It would mean the world to see her legacy, and the legacies of so many like her, recognized in such a meaningful way.

Thank you for considering this request. I hope you will join me in ensuring that the incredible sacrifices of our EMS heroes are never overlooked or taken for granted.

Sincerely,

Gary Schott

PO Box 751

Lester Prairie, MN 55354



THE HENNEPIN COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF PARAMEDICS AND EMTs
1325 WINTER ST, SUITE 102. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

04/22/2024

RE: Letter of Support for MN EMS State LODD Memorial Foundation

To whom it may concern.

My name is Shane Hallow, I am the President of the Hennepin County Association of Paramedics and EMTs (HCAPE). HCAPE is the labor union and exclusive representative for the Paramedics, Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs), and Emergency Medical Dispatchers (EMDs) of Hennepin EMS. We are the 911 ambulance provider for a large portion of Hennepin County, including Minneapolis and 13 other municipalities.

I am writing on behalf of my organization to wholeheartedly endorse the establishment of a permanent memorial dedicated to honoring the brave Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. This cause resonates profoundly with our organization and members, as four of the fifteen current honorees are line of duty deaths that occurred within our organization. It is crucial that both our profession and the state of Minnesota prioritize honoring, respecting, and remembering the sacrifices made by all the honorees.

Presently, memorials stand in honor of the fallen police officers and firefighters on the State Capitol grounds, yet there is absence of the such recognition for EMS providers. I urge you to sincerely acknowledge the significant and necessity of establishing this memorial to uphold and honor the memory and sacrifices of these dedicated providers that lost their lives in the line of duty.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shane Hallow", is positioned below the "Respectfully," text.

Shane Hallow

President

Hennepin County Association of Paramedics and EMTs



IAFF Local 21

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December 01, 2024

HCAPE Foundation
1325 Winter Street NE
Suite 102
Minneapolis, MN 55413

To Whom It May Concern:

Saint Paul Firefighters IAFF Local 21 is proud to support the construction of a Minnesota EMS Line of Duty Death (LODD) Memorial. The MN State EMS LODD Memorial Foundation has undertaken the noble cause of recognizing those emergency medical service providers who have sacrificed their lives to protect the residents of the state of Minnesota. As the first paramedic-level ambulance in the state, the men and women of the Saint Paul Fire Department have always recognized the vital role that high level pre-hospital care and selfless service play in our communities. Local 21 is committed to the well-being of its members, which includes the deserved recognition of supreme sacrifice in the line of duty.

Having a physical memorial at which to remember the EMTs and paramedics who have lost their lives in the line of duty is an important reminder of the dangers all emergency service personnel face every day. It is a reminder that because of those dangers inherent to the work, no single day is taken for granted. It is a place to pay respect to our fallen brothers and sisters, with whom we are united forever in the shared challenge of our uncommon goal: to protect the residents we are sworn to serve. It is a chance for families and friends to remember loved ones, for fellow EMS professionals to reflect on a career of service, and for prospective members it can be a source of inspiration. Perhaps most of all, it is a window for every Minnesotan to look through when they visit the Capitol, so that they might learn more of what EMS provides to their communities.

Local 21 is a labor union over 400 members strong, representing the firefighters of Saint Paul. Every one of our members is at the EMT level, with many holding the more advanced status of paramedic. The members of Local 21 provide the sole 911 Advanced Life Support ambulance response to the city of Saint Paul, and have done so with distinction for over fifty years. Tragically, in that time we have had members perish in the line of duty who would rightfully belong on an EMS LODD Memorial, and so Local 21 feels it is imperative that such a memorial be constructed so that their sacrifice is never forgotten.

Local 21 would like to thank the MN State EMS LODD Memorial Foundation for their efforts to create a permanent, tangible place of remembrance for our fallen brothers and sisters. We vow to stand with the Foundation and see that a memorial is successfully completed and maintained for the lasting appreciation of generations to come.

In solidarity,

Mike Smith
IAFF Local 21, President

Kyle Thornberg
IAFF Local 21, Secretary

Colin Oglesbee
IAFF Local 21, Treasurer

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

Support for a Permanent EMS Memorial in Minnesota:

On June 28, 2019, my stepmother, Deb Schott, and pilot Timothy McDonald tragically lost their lives in the line of duty when a North Memorial ambulance helicopter crashed at Brainerd Regional Airport. That day changed my family forever. Deb's selflessness and dedication as a flight nurse reflected the very best of what it means to serve others. The loss of these two heroes, along with so many others who have fallen in the line of duty, is a profound reminder of the sacrifices EMS personnel make to protect and save lives.

A permanent EMS memorial in Minnesota would mean the world to me, my father, and our entire family. It would not only honor Deb's memory but also provide a place where we could feel her presence and be reminded of her unwavering commitment to helping others. It would serve as a source of comfort, pride, and healing—a space to reflect on the immeasurable impact she had on those around her.

For families like ours, such a memorial would be a way to ensure that the legacies of loved ones like Deb and Timothy are never forgotten. It would recognize their courage and sacrifice while standing as a testament to the heroism of all EMS professionals across the state. For my father, who carries this loss daily, knowing that Deb's sacrifice is honored in a lasting and meaningful way would bring solace and a sense of peace.

I urge Minnesota to create a permanent EMS memorial to celebrate and preserve the stories of those who gave everything in service to others. It would mean so much to families like ours, who live with the absence of a loved one but remain inspired by their bravery and devotion. Together, we can ensure that their sacrifices are not only remembered but also respected and cherished for generations to come.

Let us give these heroes and their families the honor and recognition they so deeply deserve.

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INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EMTs & PARAMEDICS

(A DIVISION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES)

April, 5, 2024

RE: MN State EMS LODD Memorial Foundation

To whom it may concern:

My name is Brett Hopper and I am the Local President of the International Association of EMTs and Paramedics (IAEP/NAGE) Local R7-167. We represent approximately 600 Emergency Medical Personnel at Allina Health EMS.

I am writing this in support of the MN State EMS LODD Memorial Foundation for the purpose of erecting a Line of Duty Death memorial for Emergency Medical Responders on the Minnesota state capitol grounds.

This project will help give a place for families and loved ones to honor their fallen family member and a place for colleagues to gather and show respect for their fallen coworkers. This will complement the current public safety memorials of Police and Fire already located on the grounds of the Minnesota state capitol.

This is a program that is needed to help honor our fallen, support families of the fallen and honor their legacy. I fully support this application to create such a memorial. All of Minnesota's public service fallen deserve a place of honor and remembrance on the capitol grounds.

If you have questions about this letter of support, you can contact me at 612-670-8106 or bhopper@nage.org.

Sincerely,

Brett Hopper
IAEP R7-167, President
National Executive Board Member (IAEP/NAGE)
National Representative (IAEP)

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LETTER OF SUPPORT

Lakes Region EMS strongly supports the creation of the Minnesota Line of Duty Death Memorial proposed by the Minnesota EMS Memorial Foundation.

Lakes Region EMS is an Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance service located just northeast of the Twin Cities metropolitan area. We have five bases: Rush City, North Branch, and Lindstrom in Minnesota, and St. Croix Falls and Milltown in Wisconsin, covering a total area of approximately 650 square miles between the two states. In 2023, Lakes Region EMS responded to over 9,600 calls for service and treated more than 7,000 patients.

We take great pride in our ability to deliver Advanced Life Support (ALS) care to our community. Our ambulances are staffed with highly trained Paramedics and EMTs equipped to provide emergency treatment for traumatic injuries and sudden illnesses. With our advanced skills and equipment, we bring the capabilities of an Emergency Room directly to the patient. We also provide Critical Care services, offering an expanded scope of practice similar to that of a hospital ICU. This ensures our patients receive timely and advanced care, improving their chances of recovery and survival.

A memorial is a place for family, friends, and colleagues to honor the fallen. Both fire and law enforcement have prioritized this in Minnesota. Although we are the third piece of that public service puzzle, EMS currently does not have a memorial to honor their fallen members. We would like to see that changed and appreciate your support for this very important memorial project. We believe it is another step forward for emergency medical services.

Sincerely,

Ben Wasmund

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Lakes Region EMS Director of Operations

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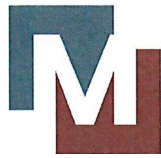
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June 28, 2024

Re: Permanent Memorial for EMS

To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Lindsey Rowland, attorney and managing partner of Meuser, Yackley & Rowland, P.A. Our law firm has been dedicated to assisting injured workers (especially first responders) with their workers' compensation, personal injury, and disability claims for more than 30 years. During this time, we have met with hundreds of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers who regularly put themselves in harm's way to provide potentially life-saving medical services to the public.

EMS providers, including Emergency Medical Responders (EMRs), Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs), Advance EMTs (AEMTs), paramedics, nurses, EMS medical directors, and others, are an important part of our first responder network, and are among the first to provide medical assistance to community members in need, but their contributions to community health and public safety are often overlooked.

To correct this oversight, I am writing a letter in support of funding a permanent memorial for EMS line of duty deaths in Minnesota. This project is long overdue. The tragic loss of firefighter / paramedic Adam Finseth should be a wakeup call for Minnesota, highlighting the dangers of working in EMS. Although there are permanent memorials for police officers, firefighters, and military veterans, to honor their service and sacrifice to the citizens of Minnesota, there is no permanent memorial for EMS providers.

I am hopeful that petitions from businesses like ours, and community members like me will encourage the Minnesota legislature to take action to fund a permanent memorial for EMS providers, giving them the long-overdue recognition they deserve.

Very Truly Yours,

Lindsey M. Rowland
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3 June 2024

To whom it may concern,

I extend my gratitude for your attention to this matter concerning the establishment of a permanent memorial dedicated to honoring EMS Providers who have tragically lost their lives in the line of duty while administering care to individuals facing dire circumstances.

Since its inception in 2002, the Minnesota EMS Honor Guard has steadfastly upheld the principles of reverence and respect for those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. On behalf of the Honor Guard, it is with unwavering support that we endorse the creation of a permanent EMS Memorial.

In the years since the Honor Guard's establishment, we have sadly mourned the loss of 12 out of 16 dedicated EMS Providers. This solemn reality underscores the inherent risks inherent in the EMS profession, akin to those faced by their counterparts in Firefighting and Law Enforcement, professions which are already duly recognized by the state with their own memorials.

The time is ripe for the families of these fallen EMS Providers to find solace in the collective acknowledgment by the State of Minnesota of the profound sacrifices they have endured. We urge your support in aiding the MN EMS LODD Memorial Foundation in realizing this crucial mission.

Thank you for your invaluable consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shawn Stoermann', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Shawn Stoermann
Commander
Minnesota EMS Honor Guard



September 3, 2024

Re: Permanent Memorial for EMS Workers

Professional Distinction

Personal Dignity

Patient Advocacy

To Whom It May Concern,

I am honored to write on behalf of the Minnesota Nurses Association (MNA) to support the Minnesota EMS Memorial Foundation's proposal for a permanent Line-of-Duty Death (LODD) memorial for EMS workers. Creating a LODD memorial is a crucial step toward honoring their service to the people of Minnesota. This memorial would recognize their sacrifices, preserve their legacy, provide community awareness and gratitude, and give a place for grieving families to honor their loved ones.

As a healthcare labor union with over 21,000 members, we stand in solidarity with EMS workers. We know how vital they are to our communities. They are special people who put the lives of others before their own when they respond to emergent situations where most people would freeze in terror or confusion.

We cannot forget the EMS workers who have lost their lives in the line of duty. These heroes should be honored with a memorial as a symbol of appreciation and acknowledgment for their service to the citizens of Minnesota. Their sacrifice cannot continue going unrecognized.

We urge you to join us in solidarity and support the Minnesota State EMS LODD Memorial Foundation's efforts to create a memorial for EMS workers.

Sincerely,

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February 20th, 2025

Subject: Letter of Support for the MN EMS Line of Duty Death Memorial

Dear Mr. Harvey,

On behalf of the Minnesota State Fire Chiefs Association (MSFCA), I am honored to submit this letter in support of the Minnesota EMS Memorial Foundation's initiative to establish an EMS Line of Duty Death Memorial on the Minnesota State Capitol grounds.

The creation of this memorial is an essential step toward honoring the selfless contributions and ultimate sacrifices of EMS professionals across our state. Every day, paramedics, EMTs, and other emergency medical responders put themselves in harm's way to provide critical care to those in need. Tragically, some have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their communities.

This memorial will serve as a lasting tribute to their courage, dedication, and sacrifice. It will also provide a place of reflection for families, colleagues, and the public while raising awareness of the risks EMS professionals face. As an organization committed to supporting the well-being and recognition of first responders, we believe this project aligns with our core values and mission.

As an integral part of moving the Fallen Firefighter Memorial from the Minneapolis-St. Paul Airport to the State Capitol grounds, the MSFCA understands the importance of having a physical memorial at this location, giving family members, friends, co-workers, and colleagues a place to honor, mourn, and remember our fallen EMS members.

We strongly encourage the State of Minnesota to support the construction of this meaningful and enduring tribute. The establishment of a memorial dedicated to EMS professionals will not only commemorate their sacrifices but also reinforce Minnesota's commitment to those who serve on the front lines of emergency medical care.

With the majority of our members providing their own EMS service in the State of Minnesota, the MSFCA is proud to endorse this initiative, and we extend our full support to the MN State EMS LODD Memorial Foundation in its efforts to bring this project to fruition.

Sincerely,



Eric Bullen
FIRE CHIEF

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NAEMT believes in the importance of recognizing and honoring the heroes who dedicate their lives to the safety and well-being of our communities. That is why we support the Minnesota EMS Line of Duty Death Memorial (LODD) Foundation, an organization committed to honoring Minnesota's Emergency Medical Services professionals who have tragically lost their lives in the line of duty.

Formed in 1975 and over 90,000 members strong, the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) is the only national association representing the professional interests of paramedics, advanced emergency medical technicians, emergency medical technicians, emergency medical responders and other professionals providing prehospital and out-of-hospital emergent, urgent or preventive medical care. NAEMT members work in all sectors of EMS, including government service agencies, fire departments, hospital-based ambulance services, private companies, industrial and special operations settings, and in the military. EMS Practitioners also work in hospitals, clinics and other healthcare settings. The Foundation's mission to create and maintain a memorial for these fallen heroes is a cause that resonates deeply with our values. These individuals have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving others, and it is our collective responsibility to ensure their bravery and dedication are never forgotten.

The memorial will provide a permanent place for families, friends, colleagues, and the public to come together to remember and honor these EMS professionals. It will stand as a lasting tribute to their service and sacrifice, reminding us all of the profound impact they have had on our lives.

Thank you to the MN EMS LODD Memorial Foundation for your unwavering commitment to this important cause. We are honored to stand with you and the many others who share this vision of remembrance and respect. Should you need further information, please contact me at NAEMT_President@NAEMT.org

Sincerely,

Susan F. Bailey, MSEM, NRP
NAEMT President



NATIONAL EMS MEMORIAL BIKE RIDE

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www.nemsmbr.org

August 29, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the National EMS Memorial Bike Ride, I am writing to extend our full support for the creation of a Minnesota EMS Memorial. We are deeply honored to support your efforts in recognizing and honoring the dedicated emergency medical service (EMS) professionals who have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty.

The National EMS Memorial Bike Ride has long been committed to honoring the courage and sacrifice of EMS personnel across the nation. We have witnessed firsthand the profound impact that memorials and tributes have on both the families of fallen heroes and the broader EMS community. These memorials serve as a poignant reminder of the dedication and bravery demonstrated by those who risk their lives to protect and save others. For nearly 25 years we have organized long distance bicycle rides that allow us to honor our fallen heroes, first on the East Coast from Boston to Washington, DC and now we conduct several events each year.

Creating a memorial in Minnesota will not only pay tribute to the selfless service of EMS professionals in your state but will also stand as a testament to the collective spirit of dedication and sacrifice that defines the EMS profession. The establishment of such a memorial will provide a place of reflection and recognition for the families, friends, and colleagues of those who have fallen, as well as a source of inspiration and motivation for current and future EMS practitioners.

We are confident that the Minnesota EMS Memorial will be a cornerstone of honor and remembrance, and we are excited to offer our support in this significant endeavor. Our organization stands ready to assist in any way we can, from promoting the project through our network to participating in fundraising events and awareness campaigns.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to us for collaboration opportunities or any support you might need. We look forward to working together to bring this important project to fruition and to ensure that the legacy of Minnesota's fallen EMS professionals is preserved and celebrated.

Thank you for your dedication to this noble cause. We stand united in our commitment to honoring those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to others.

With sincere support,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ed Moreland", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ed Moreland, NRP, FACPE, CEMSO
President

CC: File



International Association of EMTs and Paramedics

A DIVISION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

July 3, 2024

RE: Letter of Support for MN EMS State LODD Memorial Foundation

To whom it may concern,

The International Association of EMTs and Paramedics (IAEP), a labor union which represents over 800 EMS professionals across Minnesota, is proud to support the establishment of a permanent memorial dedicated to honoring the brave EMS providers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

As an organization that represents the men and women who provide lifesaving care across 13 counties in the state, the IAEP steadfastly agrees with the goal of this memorial: to honor, respect, and remember the truly selfless service of Minnesota EMS professionals who are killed in the line of duty.

As EMTs and paramedics, we know firsthand the lasting impact that this memorial will have on our EMS brothers and sisters across the state. Our job is to provide care for residents in the face of danger, tragedy, adversity, uncertainty, and nearly every other moment of need. The services that we provide are integral to the health, safety, and overall function of Minnesota. In return, it is only just that our sacrifices are honored when we pay the ultimate price in our line of duty.

Currently, memorials stand in honor of the fallen police officers and firefighters on the State Capitol grounds. We ask that EMS providers, who provide just as much health and safety to our communities, are given this same recognition. We urge you to sincerely acknowledge the significance and necessity of establishing this memorial to uphold and honor the memory and sacrifices of these dedicated providers.

Thank you for your time, attention, and support of the EMS providers who work each day to ensure your wellbeing. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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IAEP National Director

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Office of Emergency Medical Services
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January 22, 2025

To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of the Minnesota Office of Emergency Medical Services, I am writing to express my full support for the establishment of a line of duty death memorial dedicated to Minnesota Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers.

While other public safety disciplines are honored with dedicated memorials, EMS is notably absent. The bravery, dedication, and selflessness of the 17 Minnesota EMS heroes who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty compel us to honor their legacies. These individuals demonstrated extraordinary commitment to serving others, and it is fitting that their sacrifice be formally recognized on the grounds of our state Capitol.

During my nearly a decade of service as a state EMS official, I have attended multiple funerals and memorials for EMS providers who have died in the line of duty. I have witnessed firsthand the deep grief and sense of loss felt by their families, colleagues, and communities. At these gatherings, EMS providers rally together to offer support and comfort. Yet, over time, there remains a palpable void—a longing to honor these fallen heroes consistently and meaningfully.

A dedicated memorial would provide a lasting tribute to these EMS providers, serving as a place for reflection, remembrance, and connection. It would honor their sacrifices while also reinforcing the vital lessons they leave behind, lessons that can guide us toward preventing future losses.

I strongly urge you to support the creation of an EMS line of duty death memorial on the Minnesota State Capitol Grounds. This memorial will ensure that these heroes are never forgotten and that their legacies continue to inspire and uplift future generations of EMS providers and the communities they serve.

Sincerely,

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Dylan J Ferguson
Director, OEMS



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF EMTs & PARAMEDICS

(A DIVISION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES)

IAEP Local 107

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July 3, 2024

RE: MN State EMS LODD Memorial Foundation

To whom it may concern:

My name is Bill Hill and I am the Local President of the International Association of EMTs and Paramedics (IAEP/NAGE) Local R7-107. We represent approximately 25 Emergency Medical Personnel at Mille Lacs Health EMS. I am writing this in support of the MN State EMS LODD Memorial Foundation for the purpose of erecting a Line of Duty Death memorial for Emergency Medical Responders on the Minnesota state capitol grounds.

This project will help give a place for families and loved ones to honor their fallen family member and a place for colleagues to gather and show respect for their fallen coworkers. This will complement the current public safety memorials of Police and Fire already located on the grounds of the Minnesota state capitol. This is a program that is needed to help honor our fallen, support families of the fallen and honor their legacy. I fully support this application to create such a memorial. All of Minnesota's public service fallen deserve a place of honor and remembrance on the capitol grounds.

If you have questions about this letter of support, you can contact me at 320-630-9452 or billhilljr0104@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Bill Hill
IAEP R7-107, President

IAEP Local 107

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MN State EMS LoDD Memorial Foundation.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

Everyone knows someone in their lives who has been helped by an EMS worker. Our friends and family who work in EMS put their lives on the line every day that they report for duty. We need this memorial as a permanent site to honor and show gratitude to those whose lives are lost in the line of duty, in the same way that Minnesota honors police and fire personnel lives lost in the line of duty.

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EMS professionals risk their lives on a daily basis just as firefighters and police officers do. It would be fitting for these people to be recognized in similar ways in the event of a line of duty death. In my 25 years in the fire service, I have had the opportunity to work alongside many dedicated EMS professionals. They are dedicated to do whatever it takes to preserve life.

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EMS is often the forgotten emergency responders. They deserve the same recognition as everyone else.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

As a combat veteran and retired educational administrator and educator, I understand and appreciate the value of service to our community. Unfortunately our Fallen EMS workers, who have served us in all different types of challenging circumstances, do not have a visible memorial for the public, and their loved ones to visit and remember them. Without their service to our community, many of our communities would be missing members. I do not understand why we do not have a memorial already. It is past time for one.

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As a paramedic for over 15 years, I have seen countless deaths in my line of work, and heard of many more. Unfortunately, some of those are my coworkers or members of the larger, but no less close-knit, EMS community. Recognizing the sacrifices and dedication of EMS personnel is paramount, but it is an egregious oversight that Minnesota does not have a memorial for those who gave their lives in the care of others. A place we can go to be united with other EMS members, pay our respects, or just let our hearts speak and mourn. EMS has long been the redheaded stepchild of first responders, the scrappy ones, and we enter this line of work knowing that. The loss of life in EMS is no less devastating and worthy of recognition than that of law enforcement officers or firefighters. Minnesota, its communities, and its citizens should band together and offer this support to those of us who serve day in and day out, never questioning if this call we go on will be the last thing we ever do, if this will be the one where we lose our life, and give respect to those who answered the call.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

I am in awe of the service and sacrifice of my community's first responders. EMS, Firefighters, and police /peace officers are essential for community health and safety. The service and sacrifice of firefighters and police officers is widely recognized in the community and appropriately memorialized on MN capital grounds. However, the fundamental role of EMS as first responders has not been so honored. EMS professionals are on scene working to preserve life at accidents, during domestic disputes or assaults, and at every conceivable event and area in our community. They experience on-going mental trauma as part of their work and the risk of injury or death for EMS professionals is significant (comparable to firefighters and police) and merits public recognition and respect. My understanding is that there is no memorial for EMS personnel in Minnesota. A permanent memorial at the MN State capitol seems a much needed complement to the existing memorial for firefighters and police/peace officers. In my opinion, this would help the public understand and appreciate the work of EMS by honoring those who have given their life in the line of duty. Thank you for supporting the work of all of our first responders.

Kathryn Kohnert

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The respondent's email (lee.jacobsohn@gmail.com) was recorded on submission of this form.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

I am in support of the state of Minnesota creating a memorial to EMS works who have been injured or died while performing their service for the citizens of the state. It would show respect and thanks to their families for their sacrifice. Also, we need to find a way to financially support their families ongoing needs.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

It's important that we honor and remember the work done by these brave people whose mission was to help all of us.

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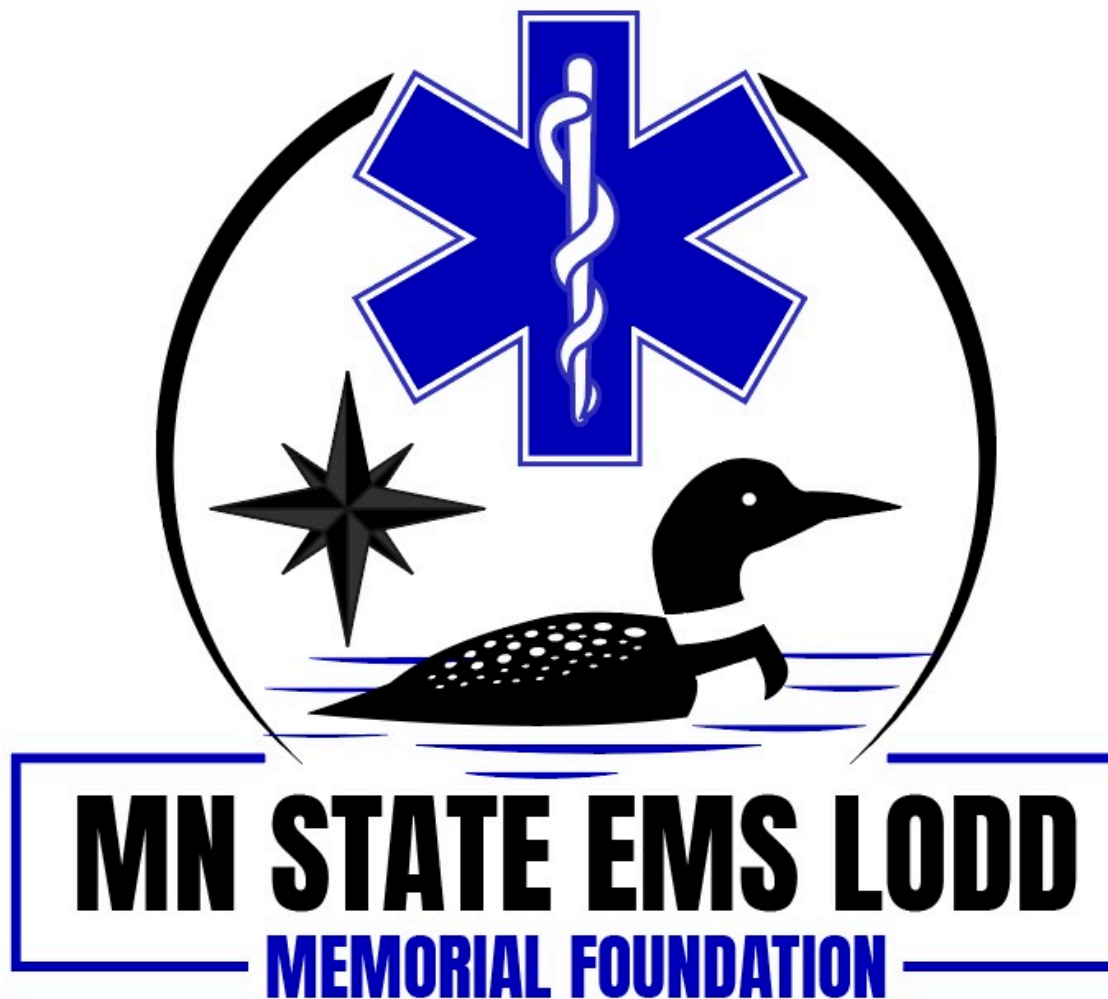
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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

EMS workers are part of the first responders team and often faced with navigating dangerous situations. Their willingness to put themselves in harms way and sacrifice their lives to help others deserves recognition.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

I have been a WATCH volunteer for many years and have seen several examples where EMS folks have been on the scene in very risky situations. They deserve recognition.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

This memorial is important to me because of everything happening in this world now and the loss of ems members is increasing. A memorial would give family members and friends of fallen ems a place to visit and remember them instead of the sadness and stigma around death associated with a graveyard. It would also give coworkers of those that have fallen during the line of duty a place to gather and remember their friends and colleagues.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

EMS deserves just as much recognition, support, and remembrance as every other branch or profession of emergency services. Ems constantly puts the lives and safety of others above their own.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

I support establishing a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Service worker as they provide a valuable community service, often at great personal risk. The death of the Burnsville first responder trying to aid the fallen officers is a dramatic recent example. The sacrifice of a Fallen EMS worker needs to be honored and recognized. I hope this Memorial can come into existence.

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EMS workers are highly trained first responders with a focused and dedicated mission to save lives. They rush toward emergency, danger, and threats to assist and transfer those who would suffer or even die without a rapid response. I am proud to support this application for a physical memorial to honor fallen Minnesota EMS providers who have died in the line of duty.

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My friend lost her EMS husband while he was working in MN

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

Where would we be without EMS workers? The services delivered by EMS workers change lives of those needing service, of families, and the whole medical system . It's time to honor and remember the individuals who have lost their lives in service to all of us.

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EMS workers are at the core of creating a safe and healthy community for our state. Those who have made the ultimate sacrifice deserve the honor and respect that this memorial will bestow.

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To honor those that served citizens in their time of need

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

Minnesota needs a memorial to honor EMS. Law Enforcement currently has a memorial but EMS is often forgot about. EMS in Minnesota deserves a memorial as well as to honor the fallen EMS employees.

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We as Minnesotans need to honor the contributions of EMS. Especially those whom gave their lives in the pursuit of serving others.

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As a first responder myself, I feel as though Minnesota should have a memorial to honor the people that put their blood, sweat, and tears into helping someone else on their worst day. It doesn't matter the call, we are there. We risk ourselves every day that we put on our uniform. Minnesota itself has recently had some unfortunate terrible events killing or injuring our first responders. These are humans that don't get to go home at the end of the day to see their family. Minnesota should have a memorial so that we can continue to honor those who cannot be with us anymore. I feel as though this would be a reminder of why I keep putting my uniform on as I think of those that are no longer with us. Please make this happen. It's the least Minnesota could do for us.

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As a paramedic I have spent nearly 20 years working alongside some of the bravest police officers, deputy's, firemen, and EMS personal I could ever ask for. I have lost some of them. Some, while helping others in their time of need. People who selflessly put themselves in harms way and parish while helping others should be honored every day in Minnesota and across this country. Not just for the few days after it happens. Please build a permanent memorial for our hero's.

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EMS is a vital part of the first responder community in Minnesota. In a lot of rural areas it is purely volunteer and largely understaffed in the state as a whole. As an EMT working for an ambulance organization this memorial hits close to home and those who have made the ultimate sacrifice putting their life on the line helping others deserve a place to be remembered and as a place to remind the community what this job can entail in the name of helping others. We work hand in hand with police and fire who have memorials of their own and who count on us for expert medical knowledge in the field. We need a separate memorial because while we have some comparisons to fire there are large differences Even though EMS is fairly new in comparison to other public service agencies we have still suffered many deaths in our community and that number will unfortunately probably continue to grow. We need this memorial to be as proactive as possible and maybe even help recruit more people into the profession.

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EMS providers take risks every day to help serve their communities and fellow citizens. Sometimes these risks are great and end in tragedy. EMS Workers deserve to be recognized for their selfless service to their fellow man.

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EMS requires a great deal of bravery and little to no recognition for that courage. We go to calls unarmed with the intention of helping those in need. The personal risk we put ourselves in on every call is heroic because- we see the possible danger involved in going into a stranger's home, or helping a stranger on the street, and we go in anyways with no assurance we won't be attacked, harmed, or killed. We fear the possibility that we may not go home after a shift and sometimes that possibility becomes reality. This is a great opportunity to recognize and remember those that face real danger, do so entirely unarmed with the intention of helping the sick, and realize their greatest fear- not going home to those they love.

"The bravest are surely those who have the clearest vision of what is before them, glory and danger alike, and yet notwithstanding, go out to meet it." Thucydides

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It is known that fire and police have well organized LODD funerals, processions, and care for families. As a paramedic myself and having almost every family member of mine being a first responder, the sacrifices we make is unmeasurable. We give up ourselves for strangers in very dangerous environments and care for the sick and injured. We don't get a pension, our pay doesn't reflect the work we really do on a daily basis. At a minimum we should at least provide recognition of the sacrifices made by those who gave all. Those who died in the line of duty for little pay, little to no recognition, and without regard for themselves. Most leave behind families and friends who have nothing but the empty uniforms at home and that's about all they have to remember them by because they dedicate their lives to that duty. It is sickening how overlooked EMS is and we aren't able to strike or have any sort of power to boost our pay and recognition. We are abused doing our job mentally and physically and we receive absolutely nothing for it other than the ability to say we helped somebody. A little recognition would help grieving families appreciate the sacrifice, it would boost moral for other EMS providers, and also serve as a reminder to the public of the sacrifices we make daily. This is a much needed memorial for and under appreciated group of paramedics and EMT's

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We (EMS) are already under appreciated and deserve to be treated better especially when we die in the course of our job.

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We honor all police, fire, military and veterans with their memorials, we ask the state to now honor our daily sacrifices we make to the communities of this great state. Please consider this proposal as a step forward to honoring the contributions EMS has done for the public.

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To any and all interested persons. The proposed Emergency Medical Services Line Of Duty Death Memorial is so very important to all Minnesotans, especially the families, friends, and co-workers of the fallen Paramedics, EMT's, and other EMS responders in the field. Of late, we have lost one of our bravest, Burnsville Paramedic Adam Finseth, the first and hopefully last, shot and killed, in the course of attempting to save the lives of his team members during a critical incident. As a 40-plus year career Paramedic, I have attended my share of funerals, and staffed vehicles in those lengthy processions, to honor my friends, former students, and even classmates from our early days of training. And now, they are all but forgotten, except in our hearts and memories. A well located, visible and publicly accessible memorial is due so that Adam and so many others may live on in our memories. You will find me there from time to time. I miss my friends. db

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Fire and police have representation at the capital and EMS uses a large amount of private hospital based services that get little to no recognition with line of duty deaths. It would be a place to honor my fallen EMS family.

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This memorial would pay homage to lost first responders in the state of Minnesota. It is important to pay honor to our lost brothers and sisters.

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EMS has long been marginalized and underappreciated in comparison to Fire and Law Enforcement agencies. It would be nice for EMS as whole to be recognized for the work that we do for the state and its residents every day of the year, especially in light of the recent pandemic we have yet to recover from. We have line of duty deaths every day across the country with very little being done to recognize the contributions and sacrifices these individuals have made by choice to serve their communities and county. It seems like we are often overlooked due to vast numbers of agencies being private vs government run, and sadly that should not be the case. Our state and our EMS providers deserve better.

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Being a first responder it important to know that those who have lost their lives in the line duty are remembered for blazing the path for us.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

It is essential that we honor the fallen EMS providers who gave the ultimate sacrifice

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A life given in service is worthy of a memorial.

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The respondent's email (**tony.rosckes@gmail.com**) was recorded on submission of this form.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

I think it is important to honor the fallen from this job. Also to have a place for family, friends, and co workers to honor those that gave their lives in the service of others. Having an EMS memorial is just as important as having a memorial to Police and Fire. We are all serving the community; all of us putting our lives at risk. Having something permanent that will withstand time so that all can come and honor those that gave the ultimate sacrifice.

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I am a HCMC paramedic, and I wish to see a memorial for my fellow paramedics who have died in the line of duty. I think that this memorial is important to honor the sacrifices of an oft overlooked part of our emergency services.

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

As a paramedic I see what hardships of the job everyday and the sacrifices it requires so I understand the important of honoring LOOD.

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LODD should have a memorial

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The respondent's email (angiehanke@yahoo.com) was recorded on submission of this form.

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The EMS workers who out their lives on the line for others deserve it.

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The respondent's email (**kmoore2273@gmail.com**) was recorded on submission of this form.

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We place ourselves at risk every day. The public doesn't always understand that this is part of the job, they believe because we are medical there is no danger to what we do. This is a way to honor the people who are put there every day and pay the ultimate price

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The respondent's email (**christen.marchio@yahoo.com**) was recorded on submission of this form.

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The selfless men and women who serve in an EMS capacity deserve to be honored, respected, and memorialized.

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Honor and respect for EMS workers throughout Minneosta

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The respondent's email (janddhalter@yahoo.com) was recorded on submission of this form.

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My son, Toby Rowan, lost his life while trying to save another ,on January 7th 2021. Our families world forever changed in the early morning hours of that day. He left behind us , his parents, a wife , 4 children and their spouses and grandchildren. To be able to have a memorial here in the state of Minnesota would mean so much to our family. Every time I see the police memorial near the capital the tears fall . As Toby's mom , I just want him as a paramedic, who gave his life , to be honored the same way. It is important. May all our heroes be forever remembered!

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The respondent's email (**shannon.nelson2@allina.com**) was recorded on submission of this form.

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EMS does not get enough attention compared to police and fire. Our lives are just as important and I believe this memorial will shed more light on the importance of our lives and those who have lost them in the line of duty.

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As an EMS worker myself, it would be great to have a physical memorial to help recognize EMS workers that have fallen in the line of duty. Having a place to honor those who have made that sacrifice would be a big help in working through the feelings surrounding an event like that.

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This memorial is very important to me as a paramedic. I have worked in EMS for 6 years, and I can say that EMS feels like the "forgotten career". EMS deserves to have a memorial for the sacrifices made in the line of duty.

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They deserve to be remembered

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Personal statement of why this memorial is important to you, your organization, or why you feel Minnesota should have a physical memorial for Fallen Emergency Medical Service workers.

As a member of Allina EMS, this memorial is important to me, as well as many others, to showcase our community's appreciation to all first responders, but especially the ones who have made the ultimate sacrifice in an effort to improve the lives of others. These first responders deserve infinite recognition and this memorial is a way to show our support and honor their commitment to public safety.

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I have friends that are in EMS.

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I think it's important to have because so many EMS workers fall due to mental health and people don't understand how taxing this job is on workers.

Maybe with the memorial people will start to see how many people we loose every year to this.

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My dad worked EMS for 30 years and EMTs and Paramedics deserve their own memorial in addition to the fire fighters and police departments. I am also a certified EMT and my sister works in the hospital system.

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EMS and EMT are apart of the first responder community. Officers, firefighter, EMS are all in the line of duty and can be affected by tragedy.

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EMS is often glanced over when it comes to first responders. EMTs and paramedics just like fire and PD, risk our lives everyday when we clock in responding to our calling. Often, we go into situations unknowingly without PD, when things can take a Jurassic turn without our knowledge. Driving emergent to respond to those in need is a dangerous job as well, again putting our lives at risk to be harmed while driving. By creating this memorial, we honor those who responded to their calling by helping others that put their lives at risk for others. God bless.

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I Feel that has been needed for a long time they are also no the front lines.

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Support for a Permanent EMS Memorial in Minnesota:

On June 28, 2019, my stepmother, Deb Schott, and pilot Timothy McDonald tragically lost their lives in the line of duty when a North Memorial ambulance helicopter crashed at Brainerd Regional Airport. That day changed my family forever. Deb's selflessness and dedication as a flight nurse reflected the very best of what it means to serve others. The loss of these two heroes, along with so many others who have fallen in the line of duty, is a profound reminder of the sacrifices EMS personnel make to protect and save lives.

A permanent EMS memorial in Minnesota would mean the world to me, my father, and our entire family. It would not only honor Deb's memory but also provide a place where we could feel her presence and be reminded of her unwavering commitment to helping others. It would serve as a source of comfort, pride, and healing—a space to reflect on the immeasurable impact she had on those around her.

For families like ours, such a memorial would be a way to ensure that the legacies of loved ones like Deb and Timothy are never forgotten. It would recognize their courage and sacrifice while standing as a testament to the heroism of all EMS professionals across the state. For my father, who carries this loss daily, knowing that Deb's sacrifice is honored in a lasting and meaningful way would bring solace and a sense of peace.

I urge Minnesota to create a permanent EMS memorial to celebrate and preserve the stories of those who gave everything in service to others. It would mean so much to families like ours, who live with the absence of a loved one but remain inspired by their bravery and devotion. Together, we can ensure that their sacrifices are not only remembered but also respected and cherished for generations to come.

Let us give these heroes and their families the honor and recognition they so deeply deserve.

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January 16, 2025

Adam S. Harvey
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On behalf of the South Central Minnesota EMS Regional System (SCEMS), I am honored to submit this letter in support of the Minnesota EMS Memorial Foundation's initiative to construct an EMS Line of Duty Death (LODD) Memorial on the Minnesota State Capitol grounds. This memorial will serve as a lasting tribute to the dedication, courage, and ultimate sacrifices of EMS professionals who have given their lives in service to their communities.

SCEMS represents over 70 law enforcement, fire department, and EMS Agencies across nine counties, all of whom are committed to delivering life-saving care under challenging and often dangerous conditions. These individuals exemplify selflessness and professionalism in their work, responding to emergencies with skill, compassion, and bravery.

A memorial honoring our fallen colleagues is both a fitting and necessary tribute. It will provide a place of reflection and remembrance for families, friends, and fellow EMS professionals while serving as a powerful reminder of the risks inherent in this vital work. Additionally, this memorial underscores the respect and gratitude owed to those who dedicate their lives to the well-being of others.

We are deeply inspired by the mission of the Minnesota EMS Memorial Foundation and its motto, "Honoring the Sacrifice, Supporting the Legacy." This initiative aligns with the values we uphold at SCEMS, and we believe it will foster greater awareness and appreciation for the contributions of EMS professionals across Minnesota.

SCEMS is proud to endorse this project and urges the State of Minnesota to support the construction of this meaningful and enduring tribute. We extend our gratitude to the Foundation for their commitment to honoring and preserving the legacy of EMS personnel.

Thank you for your consideration of this important initiative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Griffith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mark Griffith, NREMT, MPA
Executive Director
South Central Minnesota EMS Regional System



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EMS personnel selflessly put themselves in harm's way every day, frequently responding to emergencies in unpredictable and high-stress situations. Their commitment to preserving life and providing vital care is unmatched, and it is essential that we recognize and honor their contributions in a meaningful way. A memorial dedicated to EMS professionals would not only serve as a tribute to their sacrifices but would also raise awareness of the invaluable role that EMS plays in ensuring the health and safety of our communities.

This memorial would provide a space for reflection and remembrance, a place where those who have given their lives in the line of duty can be honored, and where their families, colleagues, and the wider community can come together to acknowledge their unwavering dedication. It would also serve as a reminder of the many EMS personnel who continue to serve with courage and compassion, day in and day out, in the face of increasingly complex challenges.

A State memorial would stand as a lasting testament to the selflessness, professionalism, and tireless efforts of those in the EMS community. Please know that I am fully behind this initiative and would be honored to offer any support needed in the planning and execution of this important project.

The Southeastern Minnesota Emergency Medical Services regional program is proud to endorse this project and urges the State of Minnesota to support the construction of this meaningful and enduring tribute. We extend our gratitude to the Foundation for their commitment to honoring and preserving the legacy of EMS personnel.

The point of contact for this letter is the undersigned at (507) 536-9333 or office@seems.com.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Catevenis".

Alexander C. Catevenis
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