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To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as my official notice of candidacy for the position of Region II Director on the NAEMT Board of Directors. I feel that my many years of experience in EMS will make me an exceptional candidate for this position. I have been active with NAEMT for many years and currently hold the position of Region II Director along with Affiliate Faculty and Instructor for PHTLS, AMLS and EPC.

I have been involved with EMS since 1982 when I first became an EMT and worked for a private ambulance service doing 911 and inter facility transports in Massachusetts. I became an FTO and worked in dispatch along with in the field. I then became a paramedic in 1992 after moving to Florida and worked for Indian River County EMS and in 2005 the county EMS and Fire departments merged to form Indian River Fire Rescue which I am currently still employed. I am active with American Heart as a Training Center Coordinator and Regional Faculty/Instructor for both ACLS and Healthcare Provider CPR and I served on the Florida ECC committee. I am also a Traumatic Brain Injury Instructor. As you can see I have a lot of experience in education for EMS and maintain all these certifications.

I was on the Florida EMS Advisory Council July 2010 – June 2014 and had been the chairman of that committee for three of the four years. This kept me active at the state level on all EMS issues and I have been instrumental in implementing a lot of the new policies and statute changes that drive EMS in Florida. I created the Florida Drug Shortage Committee and have been instrumental in helping agencies state wide mitigate this pressing issue.

If elected I would continue to address the needs of EMS and push for better standards and organization at the national level and push to take EMS to the next level and beyond. EMS is at a pivotal time and we need board members with big aspirations and the tenacity to see them through. I think my involvement in Florida proves my commitment to EMS and that I am one who will follow through when given a task.

In closing I feel that my involvement at the state level in Florida makes me the most viable candidate for this position and will follow the NAMET guidelines and procedures and work tirelessly to represent the best interest of EMS in a professional manner at the national level. I look forward to the challenge if elected.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cory S. Richter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "C".

Cory S. Richter, Battalion Chief