



Brevard County Fire Rescue



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Dear Selection Committee:

It is my pleasure to offer my support and enthusiastic recommendation for James D. Dinsch for election to the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) Board of Directors. James brings more than 35 years of EMS experience and three decades as an educator, along with a distinguished record of leadership, innovation, and service to our profession.

Throughout his career, James has experienced EMS from nearly every vantage point. He has served as a paramedic, field supervisor, EMS chief officer, educator, program director, department chair, consultant, and association executive. His work spans private, governmental, hospital-based, fire-rescue, rural, and volunteer EMS systems. This breadth of experience gives James a rare and valuable understanding of both the diversity of EMS and the challenges facing clinicians and agencies across the country.

As an EMS executive, James has led organizational development, clinical improvement initiatives, workforce strategies, technology modernization, and educational program expansion. Most recently, as EMS Director/Chief for Cedar County, Iowa, he has been responsible for designing and implementing a new countywide advanced life support EMS system and coordinating the transition of responsibilities among multiple existing agencies. This effort requires precisely the type of collaboration, strategic thinking, diplomacy, and steady leadership that strengthens a national board.

James's commitment to EMS education is equally noteworthy. He has served as an EMS department chair and program director, led large instructional teams, developed accredited paramedic programs, mentored future educators, and introduced innovative approaches to EMS education. His work has consistently focused not only on delivering high-quality instruction, but on strengthening the EMS workforce and preparing clinicians to meet the evolving needs of their communities.

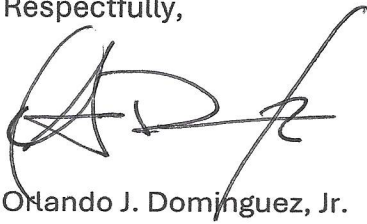
He also understands the vital role of professional associations and the responsibility they carry in representing the entire EMS profession. Through his consulting work, James has provided executive association management for both the Florida Association of EMS Educators and the Florida Association of EMTs and Paramedics. He has participated in numerous state and national EMS organizations and has represented EMS educators on the Florida EMS Advisory Council Legislative Committee. These experiences have given him firsthand insight into membership engagement, advocacy, governance, education, and the importance of ensuring that EMS professionals have a meaningful voice in decisions that affect their work.

NAEMT needs board members who listen to members, thoughtfully challenge established approaches when appropriate, build partnerships, and remain focused on strengthening EMS as a profession. James has demonstrated these qualities consistently throughout his career.

I am confident that James D. Dinsch would be an engaged, thoughtful, and highly effective member of the NAEMT Board of Directors. His experience, leadership, commitment to education, and dedication to advancing EMS would serve NAEMT and its membership exceptionally well.

I strongly and wholeheartedly recommend James Dinsch for election to the NAEMT Board of Directors and encourage NAEMT members to support his candidacy.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'OJ Domínguez, Jr.', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Orlando J. Domínguez, Jr.
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