

David S. BlevinsStatement of Candidacy

Southeast Coast Region Director

I am writing to formally express my candidacy for a position on the NAEMT Board of Directors. As a passionate and dedicated member of the emergency medical services (EMS) community, I believe that serving on the board would allow me to contribute significantly to the growth, development, and advancement of NAEMT's mission and vision.

I have been actively involved in the EMS field for 22 years, working in various capacities such as firefighter, paramedic educator, and director. Throughout my career, I have witnessed the challenges faced by emergency responders and the evolving nature of prehospital care. I have also recognized the critical role that NAEMT plays in advocating for EMS providers, promoting high-quality education and training, and enhancing the overall professionalism of our industry.

If elected to the NAEMT Board of Directors, I would bring a wealth of experience, leadership skills, and a deep commitment to the advancement of EMS. My key areas of focus and contributions would include:

- 1. Advocacy and Representation: I am dedicated to advocating for the needs and interests of EMS providers at local, state, and national levels. I would work diligently to ensure that the concerns and perspectives of emergency responders are effectively communicated and represented within the board.
- 2. Education and Training Enhancement: I believe in the importance of continuous education and professional development for EMS providers. I would collaborate with other board members to identify and promote innovative educational programs, ensuring that NAEMT remains at the forefront of prehospital care training.
- 3. Collaboration and Partnerships: Building strong alliances with other EMS organizations, healthcare professionals, and stakeholders is crucial for advancing the field. I would actively seek opportunities to foster collaboration, create partnerships, and engage in cooperative initiatives that benefit the EMS community as a whole.
- 4. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: I am committed to fostering a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment within NAEMT and the broader EMS community. I would work towards ensuring equal representation, addressing disparities, and promoting cultural competency within the organization.
- 5. Innovation and Adaptability: Given the rapidly changing landscape of healthcare and emergency response, it is vital for NAEMT to be adaptable and innovative. I would encourage the exploration and implementation of emerging technologies, best practices, and evidence-based approaches that enhance EMS delivery and patient outcomes.

I strongly believe that my experience, passion, and vision align well with the goals and objectives of NAEMT. If given the opportunity to serve on the Board of Directors, I am committed to working tirelessly to advance the interests of EMS providers and elevate the field of emergency medical services.

Thank you for considering my candidacy. I would be honored to contribute my skills and expertise to NAEMT's mission, and I look forward to the possibility of serving on the board. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or references.