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RE: National EMS Week, May 16 – 22, 2021

Dear New Hampshire EMS Provider:

On behalf of the State of New Hampshire and the Division of Fire Standards and Training & Emergency Medical Services, I would like to say thank you for all you do for our State and Happy 2021 National EMS Week. The sacrifices you make on a daily basis and the dedication exhibited by you and your families is immeasurable and does not go unnoticed. Across the State, our residents and visitors remain well protected because of the professionalism and dedication of each of the 5,293 EMS providers and nearly three hundred private and career departments that make the New Hampshire Emergency Medical System.

As we slowly transition to the next phase of one of the largest pandemics ever known, the battle that you have all fought illustrates that all members of the New Hampshire EMS system provide an essential service to our communities. Each of you have risen to the challenge in responding to over 217k calls for service in 2021, while maintaining safety precautions and remaining vigilant in your protections against the virus. In addition, you have assisted in vaccination and testing efforts as well as providing additional support in a plethora of other roles to support the State's effort against COVID-19. This is a testament to the commitment and dedication you all have to making the Granite State safe.

I am truly honored to be amongst some of the best pre-hospital care givers that I have ever had the luxury of working with. I look forward to continuing our progress and working together to make sure that New Hampshire has the best EMS System in the Country. As we spend this week recognizing our fellow EMS providers statewide, please also keep in mind those who are serving as medics with our military and government organizations overseas and in harm's way. Once again, thank you for all you do. Remain vigilant, and please be safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Romanello".

Justin Romanello
Chief, Bureau of EMS