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LACHAPELLE NAMED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF HSEM

CONCORD, NH – Director Jennifer Harper announces the appointment of Kevin LaChapelle, of Tilton, New Hampshire as the Assistant Director of New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

“Kevin brings more than two decades of experience, an invaluable level of understanding and knowledge, and an unparalleled work ethic to the position,” Harper said. “For many years, Kevin was a customer and partner of HSEM; that perspective will be instrumental in his role as Assistant Director.”

Assistant Director LaChapelle has over 25 years of experience in emergency services, most recently serving as the Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director for the City of Franklin, New Hampshire. Assistant Director LaChapelle is a U.S. Coast Guard veteran, a nationally Certified Public Manager (CPM) and the recipient of the 2017 NH Emergency Management Director of the Year award.

“This is an honor and privilege,” LaChapelle said. “I am excited to join Director Harper’s team at HSEM in furthering the mission and commitment to the safety and security of New Hampshire’s citizens and visitors. The role of HSEM in assisting individuals, communities and businesses to be more resilient and to quickly recover from disasters is essential to the State’s economic vitality.”

“He has proven his leadership ability time and time again and is clearly the correct choice to serve as the Assistant Director,” Harper added.

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