



*Continually improving the care delivered to EMS patients by discovering, developing, and promoting the best EMS management*

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To Whom It May Concern:

The National EMS Management Association supports the legislation to provide state-level medical oversight for helicopter-based air EMS operations drafted by the Non Profit Air Ambulance Alliance (NPAA). The 2007 Institute of Medicine (IOM) report promotes state regulation of EMS including the medical aspects of aero medical agencies and NEMSMA has consistently supported the findings from the IOM report. NEMSMA strongly supports any action that creates or supports an EMS "system" which includes both air and ground assets. NEMSMA's stated position is to improve the performance of EMS and promote the best EMS practices. We believe that by supporting the NPAA legislation we hold true to our mission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary L. Wingrove". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Gary L. Wingrove, President