IAEM Candidate Statement

My name is Nicole Marks, and I am running for the IAEM Region 2 Secretary position. I am seeking the position so I can continue to support our Region. I want to ensure we have opportunities to network, collaborate and learn more about each other. As secretary, I can ensure members are kept appraised of upcoming events, trainings and conferences and help create those opportunities if they do not exist or support existing opportunities.

I want to bolster our membership and have a larger representation, including the student and emerging professional members. I plan to continue working to revitalize our Region and our connection to our members by enhancing and maintaining communication, updating our webpage and bringing more events to areas throughout the region.

I earned my CEM in 2015 and I serve as a featured mentor to further assist our members with the certification process. My experience over the last ten (plus!) years crosses all sectors (public, private, NGO or non-profit, academic) of emergency management and my niche focuses on emergency planning, training, and exercises.

I am currently an adjunct instructor with John Jay College and Adelphi University and teaching is my favorite endeavor! I am very passionate about emergency management and the IAEM mission and want to connect our members with each other and the resources that they need to help strengthen our Region. I am excited to serve our members by attending and advocating for them during meetings and organizing ways for us to meet and create partnerships and networks that bring together our four unique geographical locations. I will continue to help with outreach at conferences and other emergency management events and will continue to lead the planning efforts for the Region 2 Conference.