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Candidate: Division Director, Eastern Division NSP

Many of you already know my passion runs deep for the National Ski Patrol (NSP) and Eastern Division. I began this journey during the 1982-83 season as a candidate although it began much earlier than that as I am a second-generation patroller from a three-generation patrol family. I have been fortunate to have grown up with and around the NSP. I have been active in Southern New York (SNY) Region leadership/programs since 1992 as either a Program Advisor, Patrol Director, Alternate Region Director, or Region Director. These roots have given me insights to our history, deep institutional knowledge and an expansive vision to see the opportunities that lie ahead for our Division.

Succession planning at all levels in the Division is a high priority, especially for the role of Division Director, which requires practical experience. Four years ago, I was honored to be selected and offered that opportunity. I have served in that role, and as the Assistant Division Director, for the past four years. Having had this unique opportunity, I have learned how valuable it is to work directly with various leaders within the organization. As Assistant Division Director I have worked closely with the Division Director, participated in various sub-committees, and have worked on select Division issues. In my tenure as Assistant Division Director I have developed positive relationships with various Program Supervisors and Patrollers throughout the Division.

In addition to participating in various committees at the Division level, I have also been involved with committees at the National level. Being involved at the National level has allowed me the perspective from both the top-down and bottom-up level which I believe is an integral experience to the position of Division Director. Through my involvement at the National level I have attained a positive working relationship with the current Executive Director and Directors of other Divisions in the NSP. These valuable relationships are necessary for the Eastern Division and vital to the role of Division Director. The multiple opportunities to interact at various levels of the organization and especially at the Division level have prepared me for the transition to the role of Division Director.

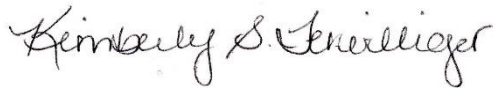
While the organization faces many issues, both internal and external, as these are being addressed, I believe members are still our priority. Our members deserve availability, and accessibility to quality educational programs, accountability for the use of members monies and simplified clear processes for accessing information. If elected as Division Director, this will be a priority in working with the Board to ensure our members needs are met.

NSP has identified the following core values as an organization: excellence, service, camaraderie, leadership, integrity, and responsiveness. I find strong alignment between my core values and those identified by NSP. These are the values I strive to achieve as a servant leader and as an individual in both my professional and volunteer life.

In addition to leadership experiences at the Region, Division and National levels, I also hold leadership positions in my professional life. I have been an educational administrator for 17 years, held the positions of Vice President and President of a professional organization and board positions in multiple non-profit organizations outside of NSP. I strongly believe these experiences have uniquely prepared me for the roles and responsibilities of the Division Director of the Eastern Division.

I view this position as an opportunity to serve others and support our members and Board of Directors. I believe my unwavering commitment to the Eastern Division and the NSP, my ability to collaborate with others, as well my ability to facilitate and advocate for teamwork to support our members, makes me highly qualified for the position of Division Director of the Eastern Division. I appreciate the diverse Patrollers in this Division who bring strengths, knowledge and skills to this organization. I would consider it an honor to represent the Patrollers of the Eastern Division and work for YOU as the Division Director of the Eastern Division.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kimberly S. Terwilliger". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial 'K'.

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