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Kathy Yocum-Lamb
Secretary, Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference

Dear Ms. Yocum-Lamb:

Fellowship Nomination

I am writing to propose Michael Hansen for Fellow status under the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference Fellowship program.

Michael more than meets all the requirements for Fellowship in the Administrative Manual.

Michael joined DELMARVA SAR, then an ASRC Group, in 2006, serving as ASRC FTL, NASAR SAR Tech I and human-remains dog handler, as well as. His positions with the ASRC included Operations Officer and ASRC Board of Directors Chair, during which terms he managed a great variety of major transitions for the ASRC, including the rewriting of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and the long-delayed completion of the ASRC's Operational Guidance Manual, guided by the many search management classes he had taken (MLSO, MSO, IGT4SAR, and ICS up to 400).

After DELMARVA left the ASRC, Michael was voted onto the ASRC Board as an individual, continuing to be a major force in the ASRC's operations, and particularly in our training.

As far as training, Michael has taught WFR and CERT classes. He has organized outstanding educational programs for the past several ASRC Retreats, which represent a major upgrade of our educational content and presentation.

He has learned Adobe InDesign to help in the production of professionally-prepared ASRC materials, which I have to say, based on personal experience, requires dedication and perseverance. From personal experience, it requires dedication and perseverance for hours, and hours, and hours.

For all these reasons, and others I have left out to keep this letter from going on for many pages, I strongly believe that Michael Hansen is richly deserving of being a Fellow of the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference.

Thank you.

Yours aye,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith Conover', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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