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Kathy Yocum-Lamb Secretary, Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference

Dear Ms. Yocum-Lamb:

Fellowship Nomination

I am writing to propose David A. Carter for Fellow status under the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference Fellowship program.

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

Dave Carter's search and rescue activities started out in the late 1960s and early 1970s with the Civil Air Patrol in Virginia, first as an uppity lower-level member who agitated for more professional Ground Search and Rescue training for the Civil Air Patrol, then rising and serving in different leadership roles, finally serving years as a widely-respected Virginia Wing Commander.

Dave Carter was instrumental in starting an ASRC Group in the Norfolk, Virginia area, Tidewater Search and Rescue Group, served in various ASRC leadership position, serving for several years as ASRC Chair.

Dave Carter was instrumental in creating the Virginia state Ground Search and Rescue College program, widely recognized as one of the leading state search and rescue training programs.

Dave Carter is one of the principals of Search and Rescue Training Associates, which published a textbook long used by Groups throughout the ASRC. He was one of the originators and long-time instructors for the Practical Search Operations (PSO) class, which encapsulated and trained people in "The ASRC Way" to run lost-person search operations.

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

Thank you.

Yours aye,

Keith Conover, M.D., FACEP

cc: ASRC BOD

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