## Resolution 2019-04

## Honoring the Lifetime Achievement of Jolene Whitney, Colleague and Friend



hereas Jolene R. Whitney, MPA, is currently the Director for the Specialty Care and Performance Improvement Program for the Utah Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Preparedness but will soon be starting a new phase in life embracing, she states, a new initiative "laissez les bon temps rouler";

**Whereas** Ms. Whitney has served in Utah EMS for over thirty-six years, becoming the ultimate statewide system-building authority in the areas of EMS for Children programs, statewide trauma (and other time-sensitive intervention) response preparedness and operations, prehospital performance measurement and data system development;

**Whereas** Jolene is co-author of six publications on state and national EMS issues in the areas of domestic violence, preventable trauma mortality, western states rural care challenges, state and hospital surge capacity planning and improving pediatric vital signs;

**Whereas** Ms. Whitney has served on twenty state EMS system assessments for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the American College of Surgeons, as well as a panelist and author in landmark federal Institutes of Medicine EMS system proceedings and Health Resources and Services Administration trauma system development initiatives;

**Whereas** Jolene has been an active and influential member of the National Association of State Emergency Medical Services Officials (NASEMSO) for three decades and has served as a longtime Chair of the NASEMSO Trauma Managers Council and, perhaps most importantly, as a friend and source of encouragement to all;

**ow therefore be it resolved** that NASEMSO recognizes the lifetime achievement of Jolene R. Whitney and her contributions to NASEMSO and EMS nationwide.

Signed this 16th day of May, 2019.

Kyle Thornton

2016-2019 President-Elect

Alisa Williams

2016-2019 Secretary