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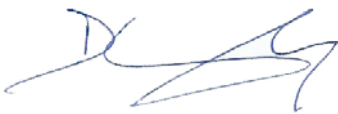
Dear Dr. Munjal:

On behalf of the New York American College of Emergency Physicians, we would like to offer our support for the efforts of the New York Community Paramedicine Task Force. This group's mission is critical as it explores the feasibility of new models of prehospital care including elements to make emergency response more patient-centered and adaptive to changes in the healthcare system, identifies efforts to make prehospital care more integrated into the continuum of healthcare service delivery, and integrates EMS into the public health infrastructure.

The New York American College of Emergency Physicians represents over 2,300 emergency physicians across the state that have a shared mission to provide the highest quality emergency medical care for all patients touched by the emergency care system. Further, we are committed to providing the emergency physician leadership necessary to advocate for quality prehospital care to advance the State EMS System. We are excited to partner with you as we explore the possibilities of improving prehospital care through Community Paramedicine.

We would like to thank the members of the Task Force for beginning a state-wide dialogue about the potential for prehospital care to contribute more than it does today. We would encourage other organizations, including hospital systems, public and private payers of healthcare, and government regulators to engage in this important discussion about the potential benefits of expanding the role that prehospital care systems play in our society as we strive to provide patient-centered emergency care.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Murphy".

Daniel G. Murphy, MD MBA FACEP  
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