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Disaster Recovery Coalition of America Supports Deanne Criswell as FEMA Administrator

America's Leading National Disaster Organization Offers its Highest Recommendation

The Disaster Recovery Coalition of America (DRCA) is a 501C6 non-profit, trade association contributing to the success of public officials who prepare for, respond to, recover from and mitigate against disasters and emergencies. DRCA brings together leaders from the private and public sector through industry forums, events and roundtables with key stakeholders that help advance leadership, innovation and best practices across the emergency management system and improve America's ability to recover from natural and man-made disasters.

It is DRCA's privilege to provide our highest recommendation in support of New York City Emergency Management Commissioner Deanne Criswell to become FEMA's Administrator. "Ms. Criswell's passionate public service has provided thought leadership and direction in New York's efforts to plan and prepare for emergencies, educate the public about preparedness, coordinate emergency response and recovery, and disseminate emergency information," said DRCA Chairman Dan Craig. "Her unparalleled COVID-19 response and recovery strategy has been a model for the nation in New York City's mission critical activities for the protection of New York City and State residents," said Craig.

Ms. Criswell's service as a leader of one of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Incident Management Assistance Teams has provided best practice standards for emergency management professionals across the nation. One of Ms. Criswell's hallmarks is her service in the Colorado Air National Guard, serving our country in multiple overseas assignments, advising senior leadership on fire protection strategies for new and existing military bases. Not only is Ms. Criswell an accomplished emergency management practitioner, but her academic credentials are exceptional with her continued participation in educational and technological mentorship and training for peers as well as newly recruited team members. Her belief in leaving an organization better than she found it is just one of the many attributes of this incredible leader.

About DRCA:

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