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New Commander for Civil Air Patrol

Civil Air Patrol's New Hampshire Wing Welcomes Colonel Ninness

CONCORD, N.H. — Civil Air Patrol's Northeast Region Commander, Col. Jack Ozer, had the opportunity to visit the Granite State to officiate a change of command for the New Hampshire Wing. Col. Darin Ninness assumed command of New Hampshire Wing at Wing Headquarters in Concord, N.H. on January 15, 2020 at 7 p.m.

The outgoing wing commander, Col. Kevin Harbison, relinquished command at the scheduled completion of his term. Ozer thanked Harbison and awarded him the Distinguished Service Medal for his four years of remarkable leadership.

"We have a fantastic team of volunteer airmen here in the Granite State," said Ninness. "I'm looking forward to working with our members and state partners to continue our service to New Hampshire and the United States. Certainly, Colonel Harbison's command serves as an enduring example and we all thank him very much."

Concurrent with his appointment as wing commander, Ninness was promoted to Colonel by order of Maj. Gen. Mark Smith, national commander. His wife Emily Graves and his predecessor pinned on the Colonel's eagles.

As commander, Ninness will be responsible for the combined efforts of all operations and support activities associated with Civil Air Patrol in the state of New Hampshire, including command of more than 600 volunteer airmen and cadets. Founded by act of Congress in 1941, Civil Air Patrol supports America's communities with emergency response, diverse aviation and ground services, youth development, and the promotion of air, space and cyber power.

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