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# MOSES HONORED FOR RESPONSE TO BIG DIG TRAGEDY

The state's professionals from the Massachusetts Organization of State Engineers and Scientists (MOSES) on Friday were thanked for their hard work following the tragic Big Dig ceiling collapse. Following the July 2006 accident, more than 100 members of MOSES were called to the scene to supervise and inspect the repairs being performed by the contractor in the tunnel. The state's professional engineers worked around the clock for the next several months to ensure the tunnel's safety and restore the public's confidence.

"First and foremost, MOSES is committed to protecting the public's safety, and that's exactly what we were focused on in this response," said MOSES president Joe Dorant. "What happened in that accident was inexcusable, and MOSES was there to make sure the public could feel safe and secure following the disaster."

On Friday, Lt. Gov. Timothy Murray and Highway Commissioner Luisa Paiewonsky honored MOSES members with a photo event in the State House. MOSES is committed to working cooperatively with state leaders to ensure programs and initiatives are in place that will provide meaningful improvement to the state's infrastructure and protect the public's safety.

"The men and women honored today are critical to ensuring the public's safety and the response to the Big Dig collapse is a notable example of the work they undertake everyday," said Lt. Gov. Timothy Murray.

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