

SAMPLE LOCAL RESOLUTION

DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)
AS
THE BASIS FOR ALL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT IN THE
CITY/TOWNSHIP/COUNTY OF _____:

WHEREAS, the President in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, local, and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity;

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that Federal, State, local, and tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all *CITY/TOWNSHIP/COUNTY OF* _____ departments and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management;

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the *CITY/TOWNSHIP/COUNTY'S* ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes.

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the *CITY/TOWNSHIP/COUNTY*; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _____, (*TITLE*) of _____, do hereby establish the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the *CITY/TOWNSHIP/COUNTY* standard for incident management.

On the _____ day of _____ in the year Two Thousand and Five.

BY THE (*TITLE*)

(*CITY/TOWNSHIP/COUNTY CLERK?*)