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JP Wiles
Mayor

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RESOLUTION

ADOPTION OF THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

It is hereby resolved by the City of Somerset, Kentucky that:

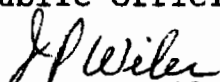
WHEREAS; Emergency Response to critical incidents, whether natural or manmade, requires integrated professional management, and

WHEREAS; Unified Command of such incidents is recognized as the management model to maximize the public safety response, and

WHEREAS; The National Incident Management System, herein referred to as NIMS, has been identified by the Federal Government as being the requisite emergency management system for all political subdivisions, and

WHEREAS, Failure to adopt NIMS as the requisite emergency management system may preclude reimbursement to the political subdivision for costs expended during and after a declared emergency or disaster and for training and preparation for such disasters or emergencies.

THEREFORE: It shall be the public policy of Somerset, Kentucky to adopt the NIMS concept of emergency planning and unified command. It shall further be the policy of Somerset to train public officials responsible for emergency management.


Mayor JP Wiles,
City of Somerset

APPROVED:
September 12, 2005

EXECUTIVE ORDER

DESIGNATION OF THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AS THE BASIS FOR ALL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT IN THE STATE/COMMONWEALTH

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 which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, local, and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prepare for, prevent, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size, or complexity;

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all Federal, State, local, and tribal homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all Federal, State, local, and tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management;

WHEREAS, HSPD-5 requires Federal departments and agencies to make adoption of the NIMS by State, tribal, and local organizations a condition for Federal preparedness assistance beginning in fiscal year 2005;


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, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the State's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes.

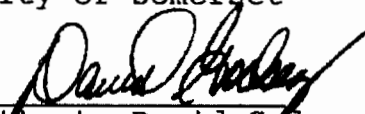
WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the State, including current emergency management training programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System;

NOW, THEREFORE, I JP WILES, Mayor of The City of Somerset
by the power vested in me do hereby proclaim and establish the
National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the City standard
for incident management.



Mayor JP Wiles,
City of Somerset



Attest: David Godsey
City Clerk