A Resolution to Adopt the
National Incident Management System

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 (NIMS) has been identified by the Federal Government as being the requisite emergency management system for all political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, NIMS training is required under Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD-5) to receive federal funding, contracts, grants, training, and reimbursement of disaster recovery costs, 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, for training and preparation for such disasters or emergencies, and for eligibility for federal grants; now, therefore:

Be it resolved by the (Town of) (City of) (County of) ____________________, Tennessee:

SECTION 1. The (City) (Town) (County) adopts the NIMS concept of emergency planning and incident command.

SECTION 2. In furtherance of NIMS, it is the policy of this (City) (Town) (County) to train public officials and employees responsible for emergency management.

SECTION 3. Directs that incident managers and response organizations in our jurisdiction train and exercise the Incident Command System (ICS) and use it in their response operations.