

**SAMPLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION
FOR THE ADOPTION OF
THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

AT A MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL/BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
_____ CITY/COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD AT _____, ON _____, 200___,

RESOLUTION - ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN
_____ CITY/COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, the City Council/Board of Commissioners of the City/County of City/County, Illinois, does hereby find as follows:

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

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

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that Federal, State, and local 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 city's/county's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local 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 city/county incident management activities, 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, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED by the City Council/Board of Commissioners of the City/County of City/County, Illinois, that the National Incident Management System (NIMS) is established as the City/County standard for incident management.

Dated: _____ City Council/Board of Commissioners, City/County of City/County, IL

Attest

Clerk, City Council/Board of Commissioners
City/County of City/County, State of Illinois