

# Record of Resolutions

**Resolution No.: 2005-14**

**Passed: September 26, 2005**

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## **RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, President Bush issued, Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD-5), *Management of Domestic Incidents*, on February 28, 2003, directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop, submit for review to the Homeland Security Council, and administer a Nation Incident Management System (NIMS); and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Taft issued Executive Order 2004-14T on July 30, 2004 ordering all departments and agencies of the State to utilize the Incident Management System prescribed by the Department of Homeland Security; and

**WHEREAS**, NIMS will provide a consistent nationwide approach allowing federal, state, local and tribal governments to work effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Homeland Security has sought extensive input on NIMS from state, local, and tribal officials, the emergency response community, and the private sector and has incorporated the best practices currently in use by incident managers; and

**WHEREAS**, effective homeland security incident management involves new concepts, processes, and protocols that will require refinement over time. The collective input and guidance from all homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the further development of an effective and comprehensive national incident management system; and

**WHEREAS**, NIMS was published by the Department of Homeland Security on March 1 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, HSPD-5 and NIMS require all federal departments and agencies to adopt NIMS and use it in domestic incident management and emergency prevention, preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation programs and activities, as well as to assist state, local, or tribal entities; and

**WHEREAS**, HSPD-5 and NIMS require federal departments and agencies make state, tribal and local organizations adopt NIMS as a condition for federal preparedness assistance beginning in federal fiscal year 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, short-term compliance will include adopting the basic tenets of the Incident Command System identified in the NIMS document. The Secretary of Homeland security published standards, guidelines, and protocols for determining compliance in December 2004.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVE**, by the Council of the Village of West Lafayette, State of Ohio,

**SECTION I:** That all departments, offices, and agencies of the Village of West Lafayette shall utilize the Incident Management System prescribed by the Department of Homeland Security, as implemented by the Coshocton EMA.

**SECTION II:** That Jim VanHorn, Director of Coshocton County Emergency Management shall determine the timetable and steps necessary for the expedient implementation of this Resolution.

**SECTION III:** That the Coshocton EMA will be begin training on NIMS and revise the Village of West Lafayette Emergency Operations Plan as soon as practicable.

**SECTION IV:** That this resolution shall become in full force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

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Jack L. Patterson, Mayor

Attest:

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Dru A Prater, Clerk