

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BRADLEY,
COUNTY OF PENOBSCOT, STATE OF MAINE
ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)
AS THE STANDARD FOR INCIDENT MANAGEMENT
IN THE TOWN OF BRADLEY**

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; and

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 development, effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and

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; and

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; and

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

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the county, 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; and


WHEREAS, a specific individual needs to be designated as Local Point of Contact (LPOC) to coordinate NIMS activities and to ensure compliance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of The Town of Bradley, County of Penobscot State of Maine that the National Incident Management System (NIMS) is hereby established as the standard for incident management

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of October 2008 by the Town Council of the Town of Bradley, County of Penobscot, State of Maine.

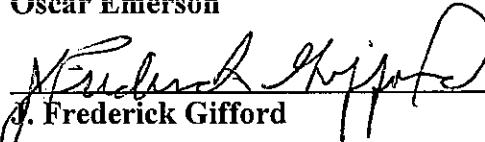


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