

Resolution No. 1286

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) AS ITS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN SALISBURY, MARYLAND.

WHEREAS, ON February 28, 2003, President George W. Bush issued Homeland Security Presidential Directive - 5 (HSPD-5) and directed the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS). NIMS provides a consistent nationwide template to enable all government, private sector and nongovernmental organizations to work together during domestic incidents;

WHEREAS, an Executive Order 01.01.2005.09, signed by Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., establishes a statewide standard for emergency operations at the local, state and federal levels to ensure that government agencies at all levels are able to "work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, and respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity;"

WHEREAS, the Salisbury City Council realizes that emergency planning and response to incidents requires emergency and governmental organizations to adopt uniform standards for terminology, organization and communications, and calls for a consistent approach to every aspect of incident management from planning and training to response and recovery during actual incidents;

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

BE IT RESOLVED, THE Salisbury City Council declares that the National Incident Management System (NIMS) will become the City of Salisbury's Incident Management System and all City Agencies that may be eligible for local funding in the form of grants, loans or supplements, will adopt the NIMS system to ensure a closer coordination and cooperation among all levels of government during emergencies, effective the ____ day _____, 2005.

THIS RESOLUTION was duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on _____, 2005, and is to become effective immediately upon adoption.

ATTEST:

Brenda J. Colegrove, City Clerk

Michael P. Dunn, President
Salisbury City Council

APPROVED BY ME THIS:
_____ day of _____, 2005

Barrie P. Tilghman, Mayor