

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE TO ADOPT  
THE NATIONAL INCIDENT  
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) IN  
COMPLIANCE WITH THE HOMELAND  
SECURITY PRESIDENTIAL  
DIRECTIVE (HSPD-5).**

**WHEREAS**, the President in Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 (HSPD- 5) directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS); and

**WHEREAS**, the NIMS establishes a single, comprehensive approach to domestic incident management to ensure that all levels of government across the Nation have the capability to work efficiently and effectively together using a national approach to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity; and

**WHEREAS**, the NIMS provides for interoperability and compatibility among Federal, State and local capabilities and includes a core set of concepts, principles, terminology and technologies covering the incident command system, unified command, training, management of resources and reporting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management training programs, and the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System; and

**WHEREAS**, the NIMS will assist the City of Knoxville to coordinate its efforts with Federal, State and other emergency agencies to insure that the highest level of incident management is provided to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption of the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities, and resources will improve the City of Knoxville's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local agency readiness, maintain first responder's safety, and streamline incident management processes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE:**

**SECTION 1:** That the National Incident Management System (NIMS) is designated as the City of Knoxville's standard for incident management.

**SECTION 2:** This Resolution will take effect from and after its passage, the welfare of the City requiring it.

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Presiding Officer of the Council

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Recorder