

**RESOLUTION NO. 06-1492**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, TO ADOPT THE NIMS (NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM) PRINCIPLES AND POLICIES INTO THE CITY'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, in Homeland Security Presidential Directive-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 disasters, regardless of cause, size, or complexity; and

WHEREAS, California local and State government pioneered the development of standardized incident management systems to respond to a variety of catastrophic disasters, including fires, earthquakes, floods, and landslides; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1970s, the California Fire Service, in partnership with the Federal Government, developed the seminal emergency Incident Command System (ICS) that has become the model for incident management nationwide; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, California was the first state to adopt a statewide Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) for use by every emergency response organization, and implement a system involving local and State agencies to ensure the continual improvement of the Standardized Emergency Management System; and

WHEREAS, California local and State emergency management professionals have contributed their expertise to the development of the new National Incident Management System; and

WHEREAS, it is essential for disaster response and securing the homeland 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 City's utilization of the California Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) substantially meets the objectives of the National Incident Management System, and

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System nationwide.

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California in Executive Order S-2-05 directed the State's Office of Emergency Services and Office of Homeland Security, in cooperation with Standardized Emergency Management System Advisory Board, to develop a program to integrate the National Incident Management System, to the extent appropriate, into the State's emergency management system.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Agoura Hills hereby resolves to formally recognize the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and to adopt the NIMS principles and policies into the emergency management system of the City of Agoura Hills.

The City Clerk shall certify adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2006, by the following vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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Denis Weber, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kimberly M. Rodrigues, City Clerk

STATE F OF CALIFORNIA        )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES     )  
CITY OF AGOURA HILLS        )

I, Kimberly M. Rodrigues, City Clerk of the City of Agoura Hills, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Agoura Hills at a regular meeting, held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2006, by the following vote:

AYES:            COUNCILMEMBERS:

NOES:            COUNCILMEMBERS:

ABSENT:          COUNCILMEMBERS;

ABSENT:          COUNCILMEMBERS:

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CITY CLERK