RESOLUTION NO. 2006-145
RESOLUTION OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WHEREAS, the preservation of life, property, and the environment is an inherent responsibility of local government, and

WHEREAS, the President in Homeland Security Directive-5, directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System, 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 pioneered the development of standardized incident management systems to respond to a variety of catastrophic disasters, including fires, earthquakes, floods, and landslide; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1970s, the California fire service, in partnership with the federal government, developed the seminal emergency incident command system 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 for use by every emergency response organization, and implemented a system to ensure the continual improvement of the Standardized Emergency Management System; and

WHEREAS, it is essential for responding to disasters 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 California Standardized Emergency Management System 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin will integrate the National Incident Management System, to the extent appropriate, into the emergency management system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that County of Marin that utilizes the National Incident Management System which shall be consistent with the integration of the National Incident Management System and the Standardized Emergency Management System in California; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution is forwarded to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held on this 26th day of September, 2006, by the following vote:


NOES: NONE

ABSENT: SUPERVISOR Susan L. Adams

PRESIDENT PRO TEM

ATTEST:

CLERK

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