

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT
NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, directed the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, and local 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, and local homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the development, effective implementation and use of a comprehensive NIMS; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all Federal, State, and local 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, and local organizations use standard terminology, standard 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 standard procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the State's ability to use federal funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and

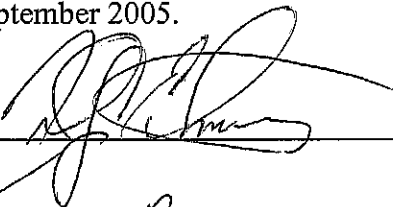
WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the State, including current homeland security/emergency management training programs; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Weston County Commissioners, by virtue of the authority vested in us by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Wyoming, that Weston County adopt the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the standard for incident management in Weston County.

DATED this 6th day of September 2005.

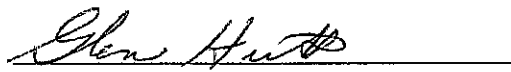
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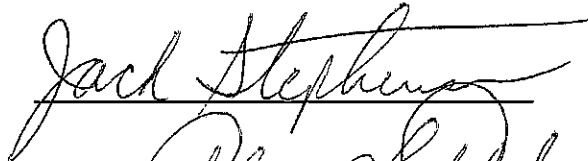
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