

RESOLUTION R 001 26

TO APPROVE THE 2026 SUSSEX COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN AND GRANT THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WITHIN THE SUSSEX COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY THE AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER THE PLAN AFTER THE SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND/OR DESIGNEE ACTIVATES THE PLAN

WHEREAS, the primary role of Sussex County government is to provide for the welfare of its citizens;

WHEREAS, Sussex County government's Department of Public Safety is responsible for all phases of emergency management: prevent, preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery

WHEREAS, the Division of Emergency Management within the Sussex County Department of Public Safety has the primary responsibility for emergency management activities in Sussex County;

WHEREAS, The Deputy Director of Public Safety – Emergency Management within the Division of Emergency Management is tasked with coordinating the protection, preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery actions during a naturally or technologically caused disaster;

WHEREAS, The Deputy Director of Public Safety – Emergency Management uses the concepts and procedures outlined in the Sussex County Emergency Operations Plan (SCEOP) to manage potential disasters that could affect Sussex County;

WHEREAS, the 2026 Sussex County Emergency Operations Plan (SCEOP) establishes the legal and organizational basis for operations in Sussex County to effectively respond and recover from all-hazard disasters and/or emergency situations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Sussex County Council of Sussex County, Delaware hereby acknowledges its approval of the 2026 Sussex County Emergency Operations Plan; approves and empowers the Division of Emergency Management within Sussex County Public Safety to execute the responsibilities set forth in the SCEOP; and furthermore designates the Deputy Director of Public Safety – Emergency Management to administer the SCEOP when the plan is activated.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF RESOLUTION NO. R 001 26 ADOPTED BY THE SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE 10th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2026.



**Tracy N. Torbert
Clerk of the Council**