

RESOLUTION NO. R 021 07

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Sussex County Council authorizes Joseph Thomas, Director of Emergency Operations, to promote the mission of the Citizens Corps in Sussex County by establishing a Citizens Corps Council and affiliating as a sub-group with the Citizens Corps on the National level to accomplish the following purposes:

- Promote and strengthen the Citizens Corps Program at the community level, such as volunteers and police service programs, CERT Teams, Medical Reserve Corps Units and neighborhood watch groups;
- Provide opportunities for special skills and interests;
- Develop targeted outreach for the community, including special needs groups;
- Provide opportunities for training in first aide and emergency preparedness;
- Organize special projects and hold community events;
- Encourage cooperation and collaboration among community leaders;
- Create opportunities for residents of the County to participate in the Citizens Corps activities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that through affiliation with the Citizens Corps, the citizens of Sussex County will be encouraged to develop household preparedness plans and disaster supply kits, observe home, health and safety practices, implement disaster mitigation procedures and participate in crime prevention and reporting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that through the affiliation with the Citizens Corps, the residents of Sussex County would be provided with the opportunity to take classes in emergency preparedness, response capabilities, first aid, CPR, fire suppression, and search and rescue procedures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an affiliation with the Citizens Corps would encourage the citizens of the County to engage in voluntary activities that support first responders, disaster relief groups and community safety organizations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Joseph Thomas is hereby authorized and empowered to promote the activities of the Citizens Corps within Sussex County by affiliating the Sussex County organization as a sub-group of the National Citizens Corps, endorsed and supported by Homeland Security.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF RESOLUTION NO. R 021 07 ADOPTED BY THE SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE 21ST DAY OF AUGUST 2007.


ROBIN A. GRIFFITH
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL